

## 5.0 CONSULTATION AND COLLABORATION

The Gateway West Project stretches from northeast Wyoming near Casper to southwest Idaho near Boise. Given the distance spanned, public involvement in this Project is critical to the success of the NEPA process. This chapter highlights the consultation and collaboration process for the proposed Project, including the general public as well as Tribal governments, and federal, state, and local agencies and organizations.

### 5.1 PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT AND SCOPING

#### 5.1.1 Scoping Period

In addition to the brief summary of scoping found in Chapter 2 – Alternatives, this section describes the public scoping process, including the techniques used to notify the public about the opportunity to comment at this stage in the NEPA process. The scoping comment period began on May 16, 2008, and concluded on July 3, 2008.

After the formal public scoping period and during an internal review by the BLM and cooperating agencies, non-federal cooperating agencies requested an extended period of time to develop additional alternatives. The BLM responded by incorporating all comments received by September 4, 2009, into a revised scoping report.

Comments received after September 4, 2009, will be addressed as comments on the Draft EIS.

The formal record of the scoping period can be found in the *Gateway West Transmission Line Project Scoping Summary Report*, available online at [http://www.wy.blm.gov/nepa/cfodocs/gateway\\_west/documents.php](http://www.wy.blm.gov/nepa/cfodocs/gateway_west/documents.php).

##### 5.1.1.1 Scoping Announcements

The scoping period was announced using a variety of tools:

- **Federal Register** – The BLM published a Notice of Intent in the Federal Register on May 16, 2008<sup>1</sup>. The Notice of Intent stated the BLM's intent to prepare an EIS and to support the BLM's consideration of the Proponents' application for a ROW grant to use public lands for portions of the proposed Project. The Notice of Intent also announced the BLM's intent to conduct public scoping meetings and collect scoping comments on the proposal.
- **Notification mailer** – The BLM prepared and distributed a tri-fold mailer to interested parties in the proposed and alternative Project corridors and to others interested in the proposed Project. Approximately 4,500 mailers were sent to a combination of BLM, Forest Service, and Project Proponent mailing list contacts.
- **Press releases** – The BLM prepared and distributed two press releases regarding the original scoping period. The first was distributed on May 16, 2008, to media sources throughout the proposed Project corridor to announce the start of the scoping period and encourage public participation. The second release

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was distributed on June 16, 2008, encouraging further public comment on the Project.

- **Paid advertisements** – Paid legal notices were published in newspapers of record. Table 5.1-1 shows the newspapers that printed the legal notice on the dates indicated.
- **Community calendar notifications** – In addition to paid legal notices, meeting notifications were also published in community calendar listings in local newspapers. Table 5.1-2 notes which papers published community calendar notices.
- **BLM Gateway West Project Web site** – The BLM established a Web site regarding the proposed Project at the beginning of the scoping period. The Web site was initially used to notify the public of the scoping meetings, provide general project overview information, as well as information to provide comments to the BLM regarding the proposed Project. The Web site currently serves as the electronic NEPA-related Project information source for all aspects and stages of the Project’s NEPA process.

**Table 5.1-1.** Legal Notices in Newspapers of Record

Publication Date	Publication	Publication Location
May 18, 2008	<i>The Times News</i>	Twin Falls, Idaho
May 18, 2008	<i>The Casper Star Tribune</i>	Casper, Wyoming
May 18, 2008	<i>The Idaho State Journal</i>	Pocatello, Idaho
May 19, 2008	<i>The Idaho Statesman</i>	Boise, Idaho
May 20, 2008	<i>The Rocket-Miner</i>	Rock Springs, Wyoming
May 21, 2008	<i>The Rawlins Daily Times</i>	Rawlins, Wyoming
May 21, 2008	<i>The News Examiner</i>	Montpelier, Idaho
May 21, 2008	<i>The Owyhee Avalanche</i>	Murphy, Idaho
June 11, 2008	<i>The Little Chicago Review</i>	Kemmerer, Wyoming

**Table 5.1-2.** Community Calendar Notices in Newspapers

Publication	Publication Location
<i>The Times News</i>	Twin Falls, Idaho
<i>The Casper Star Tribune</i>	Casper, Wyoming
<i>The Casper Journal</i>	Casper, Wyoming
<i>The Idaho State Journal</i>	Pocatello, Idaho
<i>The Idaho Statesman</i>	Boise, Idaho
<i>The Owyhee Avalanche</i>	Murphy, Idaho
<i>The Rocket-Miner</i>	Rock Springs, Wyoming
<i>The Rawlins Daily Times</i>	Rawlins, Wyoming
<i>The News Examiner</i>	Montpelier, Idaho

### 5.1.1.2 Scoping Meetings

The BLM hosted nine public meetings in June 2008 to provide planning and NEPA information to the public and agencies to allow them to identify issues and concerns to the BLM. Public scoping and the scoping meetings were advertised as noted in the section above. As summarized in Table 5.1-3, a total of 140 members of the public attended the various public meetings.

**Table 5.1-3. Public Scoping Meeting Dates, Locations, and Attendance**

Meeting Date	Meeting Location	Attendance
June 3, 2008	Twin Falls, Idaho	20
June 3, 2008	Murphy, Idaho	13
June 4, 2008	Pocatello, Idaho	11
June 4, 2008	Boise, Idaho	22
June 5, 2008	Montpelier, Idaho	7
June 9, 2008	Casper, Wyoming	22
June 10, 2008	Rawlins, Wyoming	12
June 11, 2008	Rock Springs, Wyoming	16
June 12, 2008	Kemmerer, Wyoming	17
<b>Total</b>		<b>140</b>

The BLM also hosted a focused scoping meeting on July 10, 2008, in Kemmerer, Wyoming, with an integrated group of federal, state, and local agencies and elected officials to discuss specific issues regarding routing Gateway West Project corridors in southwest Wyoming and southeast Idaho, as well as a few alternative variations that potentially extend into Utah. The applicants also participated.

Federal agencies represented at that meeting included the BLM, the Forest Service, the USFWS, and the NPS. State agencies included the Wyoming Governor's Office, IDFG, the WGFD, Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, and the WDEQ—Industrial Siting Administration. Local governments included representatives from Lincoln and Sweetwater counties in Wyoming.

#### 5.1.1.3 Scoping Period Comments

There were 62 individual letters submitted to the BLM during the scoping period, and included in those letters were 89 individual comments. In addition, during the extended scoping period, the BLM received 1,533 individual letters, and included in those letters were 1,613 individual comments. These letters and comments were reviewed by a team of analysts and logged into a database that will be used to track and sort comments throughout the Project's NEPA process.

Scoping period comments are addressed in the analysis of the Draft EIS.

#### 5.1.2 Stakeholder Outreach

The BLM conducted stakeholder outreach with groups and organizations by request. This outreach was conducted through meetings and hosted by one of the following groups:

- **BLM** – The BLM hosted four stakeholder meetings with landowners, local jurisdictions, and special interest groups to inform them about the Project and the NEPA process.
- **Project Proponents** – The BLM attended 26 Project Proponent-hosted meetings with landowners along the study corridors. The Proponents requested the BLM attend these meetings to inform landowners about the NEPA process, and to answer any related questions.

- **Jurisdictions and Communities** – The BLM also attended several jurisdictional/community hosted meetings along the study corridors, as requested, to answer questions regarding the NEPA process.

Table 5.1-4 highlights which groups the BLM met with and when.

**Table 5.1-4. Summary of Stakeholder Outreach**

<b>BLM-Hosted Meetings</b>	
Oregon-California Trail Association Meeting	June 25, 2008
Kemmerer-Cokeville Stakeholders Meeting	July 10, 2008
Rock Springs Grazing Association Landowner Meeting	September 26, 2008
Burley Collaborative Work Session	October 23, 2009
<b>Project Proponent-Hosted Meetings</b>	
Fort Steele Landowner Meeting	January 23, 2009
Glenrock Landowner Meeting	March 16, 2009
Twin Falls Community Conversation	April 14, 2009
Burley Community Conversation	April 14, 2009
Gooding Community Conversation	April 15, 2009
Douglas Landowner Meeting	April 20, 2009
Cassia County Landowner Meeting	June 1, 2009
Melba Town Hall Meeting	June 3, 2009
Ada County Town Hall Meeting	June 11, 2009
Twin Falls County Town Hall Meeting	July 9, 2009
Elmore County Town Hall Meeting	July 16, 2009
Power County Town Hall Meeting (Arbon Valley)	July 20, 2009
Power County Town Hall Meeting (American Falls)	July 21, 2009
Jerome County Town Hall Meeting	July 21, 2009
Gooding County Town Hall Meeting	July 22, 2009
Ada County Task Force	August 4, 2009
Ada County Congressional Meeting	August 19, 2009
Kuna Task Force Working Session	August 28, 2009
Kemmerer Community Conversation	November 5, 2009
Twin Falls Community Conversation	November 9, 2009
Mountain Home Community Conversation	November 10, 2009
Kuna Community Conversation	November 12, 2009
Malta Community Conversation	December 14, 2009
Almo Community Conversation	December 15, 2009
Fort Hall Reservation Landowner Meeting	December 17, 2009
Fort Hall Tribal Staff Briefing	December 17, 2009

### 5.1.2.1 Oregon-California NHTs Association Meeting

The BLM, along with representatives from the Wyoming SHPO and OCTA met on June 25, 2008, near Kemmerer, Wyoming, for a field trip of National Historic Trails.

### 5.1.2.2 Kemmerer-Cokeville Stakeholders Meeting

The BLM met on July 10, 2008, with stakeholders in the Kemmerer-Cokeville area to discuss specific issues regarding routing in southwest Wyoming and southeast Idaho, as well as a few alternative variations extending into Utah.

### 5.1.2.3 Rock Springs Grazing Association Landowner Meeting

The BLM also met with a group of landowners near the Rock Springs, Wyoming area on September 26, 2008. The purpose of the meeting was to hear and discuss landowner concerns regarding the Project, with particular focus on cultural and historic resource surveys and potential mitigation measures.

### 5.1.2.4 Burley Collaborative Work Session

On October 23, 2009, the BLM met with cooperating agency representatives to ensure and verify that the BLM had the correct proposed and alternate routes to consider for full analysis in the Draft EIS and to review opportunities and constraints for routing Segment 7.

### 5.1.3 Routing Announcements

On January 4, 2009, the BLM announced the complete list of routes to be considered in the Draft EIS. BLM announcements were made as follows:

- Press release
- Print newsletter mailed to 8,356 individuals, organizations, and businesses
- Electronic newsletter sent to 1,909 individuals, organizations, and businesses
- Web site announcement and interactive route map

The Project Proponents also distributed a press release and provided updates on the Proponents' Project Web site.

## 5.2 CONSULTATION

Formal consultations required by law and agency policy were conducted between the BLM and other government entities, including federal and state agencies. The following section highlights these consultations and Table 5.2-1 highlights the list of consultation meetings.

**Table 5.2-1.** Summary of Consultation Meetings

<b>Government-to-Government</b>	<b>Date</b>
Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	April 10, 2008 March 18, 2009
Northern Arapaho Business Council	April 9, 2008 April 26, 2008 May 12, 2008 May 19, 2008 May 21, 2008
Ute Tribal Council	April 9, 2008 May 15, 2008 June 16, 2009 December 8, 2009
Northwest Shoshone Band	April 9, 2008 May 15, 2008

**Table 5.2-1. Summary of Consultation Meetings (continued)**

<b>Government-to-Government</b>	<b>Date</b>
Eastern Shoshone Business Council	April 9, 2008 May 12, 2008 May 13, 2008 May 19, 2008 December 18, 2009
Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council	April 9, 2008 May 15, 2008
Shoshone-Paiute Tribes	April 10, 2008 Monthly consultations thereafter under the Wings and Roots Program
<b>Federal Agencies</b>	<b>Date</b>
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	March 13, 2008 April 28, 2008 (level 1 meeting) May 14, 2008 (level 1 meeting)
<b>State Agencies</b>	<b>Date</b>
Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office	April 14, 2008
Idaho Fish and Game Department	August 29, 2008
Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality	October 6, 2008

### 5.2.1 Government-to-Government

In compliance with Section 106 of the NHPA (as amended) and the ACHP’s revised regulations (36 CFR § 800), the BLM initiated government-to-government consultation with seven Native American Tribes in the Project area in April 2008 (Table 5.2-2). The consultation was conducted to inform the various Tribes of the proposed undertaking and solicit their concerns and/or comments regarding the possible presence of TCPs or places of cultural, traditional, or religious importance to the Tribes in the proposed Project area.

The BLM contacted the following Tribes by letter on April 9, 2008:

- Northern Arapaho Tribe, Fort Washakie, Wyoming
- Northwest Shoshone Band, Brigham City, Utah
- Eastern Shoshone Tribe, Fort Washakie, Wyoming
- Ute Tribe, Fort Duchesne, Utah
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe, Lame Deer, Montana

In lieu of an initial letter and following established consultation routines with these Tribes, Walt George (BLM Project Manager) conducted face-to-face meetings with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes on April 10 and the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes on April 23, 2008. Periodic updates on routing changes have been provided to all of the Tribes. Following the established consultation routine under the Wings and Roots Program with the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes, the BLM Project Manager has conducted monthly Project updates by conference call with them.

As noted in Table 5.2-2, follow-up telephone calls have been made to many of the Tribes contacted. The Northern Arapaho Business Council and the Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council have expressed interest in the Project, but have not yet expressed

specific concerns. The Ute Tribal Council expressed their interest in participating in the development of a PA and receiving a copy of the literature review. The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes and Shoshone-Paiute Tribes have expressed concern over portions of the alignment that are not in the proposed WWE corridor. They indicated they would like this Project to follow it or other existing corridors and have posed several questions regarding the Project. The Eastern Shoshone Business Council expressed concern over remains found near the Wise Gravel Pit.

Table 5.2-2 lists the Native American Tribes that have been contacted and summarizes the concerns they have raised to date and the status of consultation.

**Table 5.2-2. Status of Native American Consultation**

Name of Tribe	Date of Initial Contact	Follow up Letters	Follow-up phone calls		Summary of Issues Raised during Consultation
			Date	To	
Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	April 10, 2008	August 11, 2009	Date	To	Have continued to send ROW routing updates.  The Tribes have expressed concern over the alignment, which is not in the proposed WWEC. They indicated they would like this Project to follow it or other existing corridors. They also expressed concern about treaty rights on unappropriated public lands affected by the project.
Northern Arapaho Business Council	April 9, 2008	June 11, 2009 August 11, 2009	Date	To	Have continued to send ROW routing updates. The Tribe requested a meeting.
			May 12, 2008	No response	
Ute Tribal Council	April 9, 2008	June 11, 2009 August 11, 2009	Date	To	Have continued to send ROW routing updates.  The Tribe has expressed interest in the Project and informally requested ethnographic studies and a copy of the literature review.  The Tribe has noted a sacred landscape between Pilot Butte, White Mountain Petroglyphs, Cedar Canyon Petroglyphs and Boars Tusk for the Teton Wind Project.
			May 15, 2008	No response	
			December 12, 2009	Betsy Chapoose	
			December 15, 2009	Betsy Chapoose	
Northwest Shoshone Band	April 9, 2008	June 11, 2008 August 11, 2008	Date	To	Have continued to send ROW routing updates, but have not received comments/concerns.

**Table 5.2-2. Status of Native American Consultation (continued)**

Name of Tribe	Date of Initial Contact	Follow up Letters	Follow-up phone calls		Summary of Issues Raised during Consultation
			Date	To	
Eastern Shoshone Business Council	April 9, 2008	June 11, 2009 August 11, 2009	May 12, 2008	Ivan Posey	Have continued to send ROW routing updates.  The Tribe has expressed concern about the remains of "Deer Butte Man" and the related ethnographic studies.
			December 18, 2009	Judge Richard Ferris	
Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council	April 9, 2008	June 11, 2009 August 11, 2009	May 15, 2008	Eugene Littlecoyote	Have continued to send ROW routing updates.  The Tribe has expressed interest in the Project.
			June 19, 2009	Gerry Small	
Shoshone-Paiute Tribes	April 10, 2008	August 11, 2009	Date	To	Have continued to send ROW routing updates.  The Tribes have expressed concern over the alignment which is not in the proposed WWE Corridor. They indicated they would like this Project to follow it or other existing corridors.
Southern Cheyenne	May 29, 2010				no response
Southern Arapaho	May 29, 2010				no response
Oglala Sioux	July 30, 2010		Date	To	Have continued to send ROW routing updates. The Tribe has expressed interest in the Project.
			December 9, 2010	Joyce Whiting	
			December 9, 2010	Joyce Whiting	
			January 3, 2011	Joyce Whiting	

**5.2.1.1 Ethnographic Study Process/TCP**

To date, no specific TCPs near the proposed Project route have been identified by any of the Tribes during the consultation process. Three of the Tribes—the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes, the Ute Tribal Council, and the Eastern Shoshone Tribal Council—have requested that ethnographic studies be conducted. In these studies, ethnographers will research historic sources and interview Tribal members to gain a better understanding of the cultural landscape near the Project route. They are intended to identify important locations and traditional uses of the area by the Tribes. Studies for the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes were started in the spring of 2009 and will be completed in time to allow for the findings to be incorporated in the Final EIS.

In addition, if the Class III cultural resource inventory identifies any sensitive site types, site-specific consultation may be conducted so that Tribal representatives may identify important locations.

## **5.2.2 Federal Agencies**

### **5.2.2.1 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**

Consultation with the USFWS under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act began in March 2008 and has continued throughout the scoping and EIS analysis process. The USFWS is a cooperating agency in the preparation of the EIS.

The first meeting with USFWS in March 2008 was a discussion to begin the consultation process and included USFWS representatives from Wyoming and Idaho, the BLM Project Manager, BLM biologists, as well as members of the BLM's third-party contractor. The meeting provided USFWS staff a brief description of the Project, biology work done to date, a review of roles and responsibilities among the BLM and USFWS as well as a detailed discussion of the consultation process including how to initiate consultation, preliminary species to include, and other considerations.

Level I meetings were held in April, May, and November 2008 with USFWS staff in Idaho and Wyoming, respectively, to provide a general overview of the Project, discuss the Project's BA process and analysis, and to discuss any additional concerns from the USFWS.

## **5.2.3 State Agencies**

### **5.2.3.1 State Historic Preservation Offices (Wyoming and Idaho)**

Following consultation requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act, the BLM sent Project notification letters to the Idaho and Wyoming SHPOs in March 2008. The BLM met with the Wyoming SHPO on April 14 and discussed phasing of cultural and historic surveys and sampling. The BLM continues to coordinate with state SHPOs on the review of cultural reports and development of a Programmatic Agreement covering the project.

### **5.2.3.2 Wildlife Departments (Wyoming and Idaho)**

Following consultation requirements of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, the BLM has involved and notified the WGFD and the IDFG of the Project through mailing and focused stakeholder meetings.

In addition, the BLM met separately with the IDFG on January 30-31, 2008, and on August 29, 2008, to introduce the Project and present a status report on the Project, respectively. The discussions primarily focused on wildlife-related issues, in particular the state of Idaho's position on sage grouse and other species management.

### **5.2.3.3 Departments of Environmental Quality (Wyoming and Idaho)**

The BLM met with the WDEQ on October 6, 2008, to discuss an emissions inventory for the state of Wyoming.

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Swan	Channing	Forestry	Pocatello Field Office	B.S., Forestry	6
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### 5.4.1 Native American Tribal Governments

- Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe
- Cheyenne/Arapahoe Tribes of Oklahoma
- Comanche Tribe of Oklahoma
- Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
- Crow Creek Sioux Tribe
- Crow Tribe
- Eastern Shoshone Tribe
- Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe
- Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
- Nez Perce Tribe
- Northern Arapaho Tribe
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe
- Northwest Shoshone Band
- Oglala Lakota Nation
- Oglala Sioux Tribe
- Rosebud Sioux Tribe
- Santee Sioux Tribe
- Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
- Shoshone-Paiute Tribes
- Southern Ute Indian Tribe
- Ute Tribe
- Ute Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation

### **5.4.2 Federal Agencies**

- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
- Bonneville Power Administration
- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Bureau of Land Management (see full list of offices in Section 5.4.10)
- Bureau of Reclamation
- Federal Aviation Administration
- Federal Depository Library System, Government Printing Office
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Federal Highway Administration
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- National Park Service
- U.S. Air Force
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service (see full list of offices in Section 5.4.11)
- U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service
- U.S. Department of Energy
- U.S. Department of the Interior
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Western Area Power Administration

### **5.4.3 Local Governments**

- City of Albion, Idaho
- City of American Falls, Idaho
- City of Bliss, Idaho
- City of Boise, Idaho
- City of Buhl, Idaho
- City of Burley, Idaho
- City of Casper, Wyoming
- City of Cokeville, Wyoming
- City of Declo, Idaho
- City of Dietrich, Idaho
- City of Douglas, Wyoming
- City of Downey, Idaho
- City of Eden, Idaho
- City of Filer, Idaho
- City of Glens Ferry, Idaho
- City of Gooding, Idaho
- City of Grand View, Idaho
- City of Granger, Wyoming
- City of Green River, Wyoming

- City of Hagerman, Idaho
- City of Hansen, Idaho
- City of Hazelton, Idaho
- City of Heyburn, Idaho
- City of Hollister, Idaho
- City of Jerome, Idaho
- City of Kemmerer, Wyoming
- City of Kimberly, Idaho
- City of Kuna, Idaho
- City of LaBarge, Wyoming
- City of Laramie, Wyoming
- City of Lyman, Wyoming
- City of Marbleton, Wyoming
- City of Melba, Idaho
- City of Montpelier, Idaho
- City of Mountain Home, Idaho
- City of Murphy, Idaho
- City of Murtaugh, Idaho
- City of Nampa, Idaho
- City of Oakley, Idaho
- City of Pocatello, Idaho
- City of Rawlins, Wyoming
- City of Rock Springs, Wyoming
- City of Rockland, Idaho
- City of Rupert, Idaho
- City of Shoshone, Idaho
- City of Soda Springs, Idaho
- City of Superior, Wyoming
- City of Twin Falls, Idaho
- City of Wendell, Idaho
- Town of Bar Nunn, Wyoming
- Town of Diamondville, Wyoming
- Town of Elk Mountain, Wyoming
- Town of Evansville, Wyoming
- Town of Glenrock, Wyoming
- Town of Hanna, Wyoming
- Town of Medicine Bow, Wyoming
- Town of Mills, Wyoming
- Town of Opal, Wyoming
- Town of Rock River, Wyoming
- Town of Rolling Hills, Wyoming
- Town of Saratoga, Wyoming
- Town of Sinclair, Wyoming

#### **5.4.4 County Governments**

- Ada County, Idaho
- Albany County, Wyoming
- Bannock County, Idaho
- Bear Lake County, Idaho
- Blaine County, Idaho
- Canyon County, Idaho
- Carbon County, Wyoming
- Caribou County, Idaho
- Cassia County, Idaho
- Converse County, Wyoming
- Elko County, Nevada
- Elmore County, Idaho
- Franklin County, Idaho
- Gooding County, Idaho
- Jerome County, Idaho
- Lincoln Conservation District, Wyoming
- Lincoln County, Idaho
- Lincoln County, Wyoming
- Medicine Bow Conservation District, Wyoming
- Minidoka County, Idaho
- Natrona County, Wyoming
- Natrona County Conservation District, Wyoming
- Oneida County, Idaho
- Owyhee County, Idaho
- Power County, Idaho
- Saratoga-Encampment-Rawlins Conservation District, Wyoming
- Sweetwater County, Wyoming
- Sweetwater County Conservation District, Wyoming
- Twin Falls County, Idaho

#### **5.4.5 U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate**

- U.S. House of Representatives
  - Rob Bishop, Utah, First Congressional District
  - Raul Labrador, Idaho, First Congressional District
  - Cynthia A. Lummis, Wyoming
  - Jim Matheson, Utah, Second Congressional District
  - Mike Simpson, Idaho, Second Congressional District
  - Nevada, Office of the Second Congressional District (vacant)
- U.S. Senate
  - John Barrasso, Wyoming
  - Mike Crapo, Idaho
  - Mike Enzi, Wyoming

- Dean Heller, Nevada
- Mike Lee, Utah
- Harry Reid, Nevada
- James E. Risch, Idaho

#### **5.4.6 State of Idaho**

- Idaho Office of Energy Resources
- Office of Governor C. L. “Butch” Otter
- House of Representatives
  - Brent Crane, Legislative District 13
  - Christy Perry, Legislative District 13
  - Clifford Bayer, Legislative District 21
  - John Vander Woude, Legislative District 21
  - Pete Nielson, Legislative District 22
  - Richard Wills, Legislative District 22
  - Stephen Hartgen, Legislative District 23
  - Jim Patrick, Legislative District 23
  - Leon Smith, Legislative District 24
  - Sharon Block, Legislative District 24
  - Wendy Jaquet, Legislative District 25
  - Donna Pence, Legislative District 25
  - Maxine Bell, Legislative District 26
  - John “Bert” Stevenson, Legislative District 26
  - Scott Bedke, Legislative District 27
  - Fred Wood, Legislative District 27
  - Ken Andrus, Legislative District 29
  - Jim Guthrie, Legislative District 29
  - Roy Lacey, Legislative District 30
  - Elaine Smith, Legislative District 30
  - Marc Gibbs, Legislative District 31
  - Tom Loertscher, Legislative District 31
- Senate
  - Patti Anne Lodge, Legislative District 13
  - Russell Fulcher, Legislative District 21
  - Tim Corder, Legislative District 22
  - Bert Brackett, Legislative District 23
  - Lee Heider, Legislative District 24
  - Michelle Stennett, Legislative District 25
  - Dean Cameron, Legislative District 26
  - Denton Darrington, Legislative District 27
  - Diane Bilyeu, Legislative District 29

- Edgar Malepeai, Legislative District 30
- John Tippetts, Legislative District 31

#### **5.4.7 State of Nevada**

- Assembly
  - John Ellison, District 33
- Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- Department of Wildlife
- Office of Governor Brian Sandoval
- Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
- State Historic Preservation Office
- Senate
  - Dean A. Rhoads, Rural Senatorial District

#### **5.4.8 State of Wyoming**

- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Environmental Quality
- Department of Revenue
- Department of Transportation
- Game and Fish Department
- House of Representatives
  - Richard L. Cannady, House District 6
  - Kermit C. Brown, House District 14
  - Bernadine L. Craft, House District 17
  - Allen Jaggi, House District 18
  - Kathy Davidson, House District 20
  - Bob Brechtel, House District 38
  - Kendall Kroeker, House District 35
  - Gerald Gay, House District 36
  - Steve Harshman, House District 37
  - Bob Brechtel, House District 38
  - Jeb Steward, House District 47
  - Joseph M. Barbuto, House District 48
  - Lisa Shepperson, House District 58
- Office of Governor Matt Mead
- Office of State Lands and Investments
- Senate
  - Jim Anderson, Senate District 2
  - Phillip A. Nicholas, Senate District 10
  - Larry S. Hicks, Senate District 11

- Marty Martin, Senate District 12
- Stan Cooper, Senate District 14
- Charles K. Scott, Senate District 30
- State Geological Survey
- State Historic Preservation Office
- State Parks, Historic Sites and Trails
- Travel and Tourism
- Wyoming Business Council

#### **5.4.9 Public Reading Rooms**

- Ada County Library
- Albany County Public Library
- American Falls District Library
- Bear Lake County Library
- Boise Public Library
- Boise State University Library
- Bruneau Valley District Library
- Buhl Public Library
- Burley Public Library
- Carbon County Library System
- Casper College Goodstein Foundation Library
- College of Southern Idaho Library
- College of Western Idaho Library
- Converse County Library
- Demary Memorial Library
- Eastern Owyhee County Library
- Elko-Lander-Eureka Counties Library
- Filer Public Library
- Garden City Public Library
- George Fox University Library
- Glens Ferry Public Library
- Gooding Public Library
- Grace District Library
- Great Basin College Library
- Hagerman Public Library
- Hansen District Library
- Idaho Commission for Libraries, Boise
- Idaho State University Library
- Jerome Public Library
- Kimberly Public Library

- Kuna District Library
- Laramie County Community College, Albany County Campus Library
- Larsen-Sant Public Library
- Lincoln County Library System
- Lizard Butte District Library
- Marshall Public Library
- Meridian District Library
- Mountain Home Public Library
- Nampa Public Library
- Natrona County Public Library
- Northwest Nazarene University, John E. Riley Library
- Oakley District Library
- Oneida County Library
- Patricia Romanko Public Library
- Portneuf District Library
- Rockland School Community Library
- Sherburn Smith Memorial Library
- Shoshone Public Library
- South Bannock District Library
- State of Wyoming Library
- Sweetwater County Library
- Twin Falls Public Library
- University of Wyoming Libraries
- Western Wyoming Community College, Hay Library

#### **5.4.10 Bureau of Land Management Offices**

- Boise District Office
- Bureau of Land Management, Libraries Systems/Cataloguing
- Burley Field Office
- Casper Field Office
- Craters of the Moon National Monument and Preserve
- High Desert District Office
- Idaho Falls District Office
- Idaho State Office
- Kemmerer Field Office
- Nevada State Office
- Owyhee Field Office
- Pocatello Field Office
- Rawlins Field Office

- Rock Springs Field Office
- Shoshone Field Office
- Twin Falls District Office
- Wells Field Office
- Wyoming State Office

#### **5.4.11 U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service Offices**

- Caribou-Targhee National Forest
- Caribou-Targhee National Forest – Montpelier Ranger District
- Intermountain Region
- Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests
- Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests – Douglas Ranger District
- Rocky Mountain Region
- Sawtooth National Forest
- Sawtooth National Forest – Minidoka Ranger District