

From: jnclain@blm.gov on behalf of [Gateway West Trans Line, BLM WY](#)
To: blm@gwcomment.com
Subject: Fwd: My Comments
Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2013 3:27:28 PM

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From: **John Brenton** <headbouncer_83634@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, May 15, 2013 at 11:53 AM
Subject: My Comments
To: "Gateway_West_WYMail@blm.gov" <Gateway_West_WYMail@blm.gov>

Dear Sir or Madame:

I have recently found out that you are planning to place this line through the property that I happen to live on for the past 20+ years. There is BLM land just south of here (about 1 Mile) that I feel should be used for this purpose. As this is land that has use restrictions on it as far as public use I see no reasons that this can not be used for this line. Placing it on the property that I live on place the inconvenience upon me . I have poor cell phone service as it is here and use broadband for the computer!! Both of which your line would cause interference with. Find a use for that worthless BLM land to the south of the R/R tracks

John

From: info@gatewaywesteis.com
To: [Gateway BLM](#)
Subject: A final EIS comment from gatewaywesteis.com
Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2013 9:49:11 AM

A final EIS comment from gatewaywesteis.com.

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I am writing to urge the BLM to find another location for power lines other than at "test hill" in Declo, ID. This place is a perfect location for paragliding and hang gliding training and has a long history of flight. The installation of power lines would make this location unsafe for flying and would be a huge loss to the flying community both in Idaho as well as nation wide.

Thanks for your consideration in finding an alternate location for the power lines.

Justin Brim



June 13, 2013

Bureau of Land Management
 Gateway West Project
 P.O. Box 20879
 Cheyenne, WY 82003

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Dear Sirs,

This letter is in strong opposition to the proposed Gateway West Transmission line now being proposed across So. Idaho. I would also recommend that the comment period remain open until the final draft is published.

If you own property anywhere near the So. Hills, in a jagged line between Wyoming and Boise, BEWARE. Public comment period will close June 28, 2013. Problem being, the final B.L.M draft will not be out until late this fall, long after the comment period closes. While the large maps show the B.L.M Preferred alternative, there is also a foot note in very small print that states, "Routes shown may not represent final construction alignment. No warranty is made as to the completeness or accuracy of this information." After four years of meetings, thousands of documents mailed and millions of our tax dollars wasted we have nothing with any accuracy to comment on! Another example why the State of Idaho should take over management of OUR Public Lands so these decisions could be made in Boise. This 1100 mile Public Utilities Project will be built 80% on private land, like it or not. I have mapped and submitted with my comments, a direct route through the So. Hills, on Public Lands, that will impact NO private land. Why would a Public Utilities Project not be built on Public Lands where available?

I know, it's the Sage hen again. We scrapped the China Mountain wind farm project which would have produced the added power needed in the Magic Valley for years to come because of the sage hen. Still, I have seen no scientific evidence that would suggest either of these projects would negatively affect the sage hen population. In a direct quote from the TN Editorial, May 12, 2013, from a Fish and Game official who stated "hunting is the best thing for the conservation of the species. It makes people care what happens to them." If you really care about the sage hen population and you want to help, buy a license and tags (which will help F&G) and kill a bunch of the remaining sage hen this fall. It most likely will be your last chance legally kill a threatened or endangered species.

For more information, Google: Gateway West Transmission Line for more details. If you are concerned, please contact Gov. Butch Otter, our State Legislators, Congressional Representatives and T.F County Commissioners who have final siting authority.

Sincerely,

William J. Brockman
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2936N 3500E
 Kimberly, Id. 83341

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Final EIS Comment Form

Gateway West Transmission Line Project

Final EIS comment period: April 26, 2013 - June 28, 2013



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Date: 4-15-13

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Please submit your comments by **June 28, 2013**. Information submitted on this form is being voluntarily provided solely for the purpose of commenting on the Gateway West Transmission Line Project.

Comment:

I rent a home owned by Frank Sean over which the Gateway West Transmissio Line Crosses. I object to is line crossing private property. The noise would be prohibitive, due to frequent winds and storms unsafe to people and animals which live here. The must be another area to cross other than the planned.

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To: [Gateway BLM](#)
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A final EIS comment from gatewaywesteis.com.

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Comment:

I would like to request that the proposed transmission lines impacting the test hill area be relocated so as not to effect those of us who would like to use this site for paragliding. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

From: jmclain@blm.gov on behalf of [Gateway West Trans Line, BLM WY](#)
To: blm@gwcomment.com
Subject: Fwd: Final EIS Comment; Gateway West Transmission Line Project
Date: Monday, July 01, 2013 10:23:02 AM

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From: **Burch, James** <James.Burch@albertsons.com>
Date: Fri, Jun 28, 2013 at 10:57 AM
Subject: Final EIS Comment; Gateway West Transmission Line Project
To: "Gateway_West_WYMail@blm.gov" <Gateway_West_WYMail@blm.gov>

Bureau of Land Management Officials:

I am writing in response to the final Environmental Impact Statement that has been issued by the Bureau of Land Management in connection with the Gateway West Transmission Line Project. I strongly oppose BLM's preferred Segment 8B for a number of reasons, not the least of which is the serious detrimental impact that such routing of transmission lines would have on the future development of the cities of Melba and Kuna. Placement of the towers and power lines on private property outside of the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area ("Birds of Prey Area") will stifle what would otherwise be upscale residential housing and small farms along and to the south of such lines. Melba will be cut off from the rest of the valley in an "other side of the tracks" fashion, and estate style, large acreage housing on the bench south of Kuna will not materialize. Development will still occur, but it will be of an undesirable nature that will not increase the property values of Melba or Kuna, and, by virtue of the severely devalued nature of the property in the area of the towers and power lines, will attract persons and businesses that are far less likely, willing or able to support present and future initiatives related to the Birds of Prey Area.

For the past several years, citizens, businesses and community leaders in the impacted areas have worked extensively with BLM officials and Idaho Power to develop a feasible and responsible route for the transmission lines that would (a) take into account the goals of the BLM, (b) support habitat and protected species within the Birds of Prey Area, (c) minimize the economic and social impact on private citizens, (d) reduce the potential detrimental effect to the cities of Melba, Kuna and the affected regions of Ada County and Canyon County, and (e) be cost effective for Idaho Power and the ratepayers of Idaho. The combined wisdom and labors of all persons involved over countless meetings was a consensus that Segment 8 is the best route for the transmission lines. Routing within Segment 8B would override all of such efforts. The long-term result, if Segment 8B is ultimately implemented, will harm all of the affected parties, and will negatively affect the very benefits that were sought to be safeguarded by the establishment of the Birds of Prey Area.

I urge the BLM to reconsider its support of Segment 8B and to accept the collaborative

recommendation of local BLM officials, Idaho Power and affected citizens, businesses and local governments to route the Gateway West transmission lines through the Birds of Prey Area in the manner proposed by Segment 8. I know that enhancement requirements in the Birds of Prey Area can and will be met if the Segment 8 route is accepted. The end result of such action will satisfy all of the concerned parties, and will enhance the Birds of Prey Area.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jim Burch

James W. Burch, Esq.

7250 West Dickman Road

Melba, Idaho 83641

(208) 841-4593

From: jmclain@blm.gov on behalf of Gateway_West_Trans_Line, BLM_WY
[blm_wy_gateway_west_trans_line@blm.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2013 12:45 PM
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From: **Joyce Burch** <joyceaburch@yahoo.com>
Date: Wed, Feb 13, 2013 at 10:27 PM
Subject: Gateway West transmission line
To: "Gateway_West_WYMail@blm.gov" <Gateway_West_WYMail@blm.gov>

Dear Mr. George,

Why does the U.S. government want to override the consensus of residents of Idaho, city and county government, the governor of Idaho, and the Idaho BLM? Is it to avoid doing harm? NO. Great harm would be done to the landowners and communities affected, while running the power lines closely parallel to already existing power lines on BLM land would have no detrimental effect on either people or wildlife.

Is it to avoid cost? NO. The cost of obtaining private lands will be far higher to Idaho Power, and the cost would then be passed along to Idaho Powers customers.

Please do the right thing! The "Gateway West" transmission line placement should be changed back to the STATE PREFERRED ROUTE.

Sincerely,
Joyce Burch
7250 W. Dickman Road
Melba, ID 64031

Final EIS Comment Form

Gateway West Transmission Line Project

Final EIS comment period: April 26, 2013 - June 28, 2013



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Date: June 18, 2013

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Comment:

Segment 8 and segment 9D are the routes that should be chosen. We vehemently oppose the BLM preferred routes 8B and 9E, and the proponents' proposed segment 9 as expressed in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

The citizens and the Idaho government worked hard to come to a consensus and Washington D.C. should not throw that out. There is no good reason to do that. The "enhancement requirements" to Birds of Prey can be met within the construction process of the project.

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Name: Joyce Burch



If Segments 8B and 9E (BLM preferred) are used, private citizens would be burdened with costs of millions of dollars.

Please do not ignore the citizens and government of Idaho. Use Segments 8 and 9D!

Privacy Note: Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be made available to the public after the close of the official comment period. Please be advised that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. Although you may ask the BLM in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from the public, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

June 24, 2013

BLM Gateway West Project
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To: Project Manager Gateway West Transmission Line

My brother, Arthur Butler, and our families own and operate Spring Cove Ranch north and west of Bliss Idaho. (T 5 S, R 12 E, sec 21 and 28). Raising purebred Angus cattle and crops is our passion and livelihood. Outdoor recreation is also our passion and an important source of income as well. We were told that the preferred route for the new Gateway West transmission line is adjacent to the existing line which goes through section 21. There are several reasons why we would like you to choose a different route for the new line.

1: Farming: The line that is there now is very disruptive to our farming operations and we certainly don't want to add to our problems. We understand that the span length of the new line would be much greater, which is good, but tower placement would be critical. In fact, it would be extremely beneficial if the old wooden structures which need replaced anyway could be upgraded to longer spans. We also have several pivots planned for this area and we do not want our plans disrupted. See attached maps. See attachment A.

2: Cultural: The proposed route crosses a multitude of cultural resources on our property. Most of the route crosses an old floodplain, the perimeter of which is littered with obsidian flakes, grinding bowls, pestles, projectile points and pottery shards. The north branch of the Oregon Trail – Kelton Road crosses this area as well. A project survey for archeological concerns was conducted by a Gateway west team on this property. Please review this survey for documentation of my comments.

3: Wildlife: This area is rich with a variety of wildlife. Migrating waterfowl are abundant here in the spring and fall. In fact we have contracted with Ducks Unlimited to enhance habitat for wintering waterfowl. Upland game birds also call this home. These include pheasant, quail, dove, and sage grouse. We work with Pheasants Forever or on our own, to enhance upland game habitat. This includes 6 to 12 acres of food plots which are established for wildlife. Deer, elk and antelope are abundant as well.

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They make extensive use of the alfalfa and corn as well as the creek bottom and wetlands there are 2000 Sandhill Cranes who call this area home from February 19th to April 19th each year. This is unique, I don't know of any other place in southern Idaho where cranes roost in such abundance. See comments submitted by Ducks Unlimited and US Fish and Wildlife service (letters no. 100272 and 100345 for the 2011 draft EIS). Ducks Unlimited has also submitted comments on behalf of Spring Cove Ranch in regard to the FEIS. A Gateway West wildlife survey was conducted as well. Will you please review this survey?

4: Recreation: Our ranch provides a host of recreational activities. Our family has used this area to hunt, fish, hike, bike, and horseback ride for over 100 years. My brother and I have worked hard to enhance this experience. We have developed 40 acres of ponds and wetlands, and established a fishery for bass, bluegill, trout, and sturgeon. We have a private pond permit with Idaho Fish & Game. We also have an access yes contract with Idaho Fish & Game to allow fishing, upland game and big game hunting by the public on our property. I also have an outfitters license (# 16091, Spring Cove Outfitters) for guiding deer, elk, antelope and bear hunts as well as trail rides and fishing trips. Spring Cove Ranch is headquarters for this business and numerous hunts occur here, especially youth hunts for deer and elk. In the fall and winter waterfowl hunting is a big deal at Spring Cove Ranch. Even though waterfowl hunting is not in our access yes contract, we allow approximately 30 people to hunt here, and again youth hunts are given preference and are common. Nearly all of this activity occurs under the proposed route of the transmission line. See attached private pond permit and Access Yes contract information. See attachment B

For all of the reasons above, especially recreation, we ask that you would move the location of the line so that it does not impact us so severely.

Sincerely,



Daniel Butler

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Attachment A

These are aerial photo maps showing our future improvements. The circles and semicircles delineate irrigation pivots that we will begin to install in the fall of 2013.

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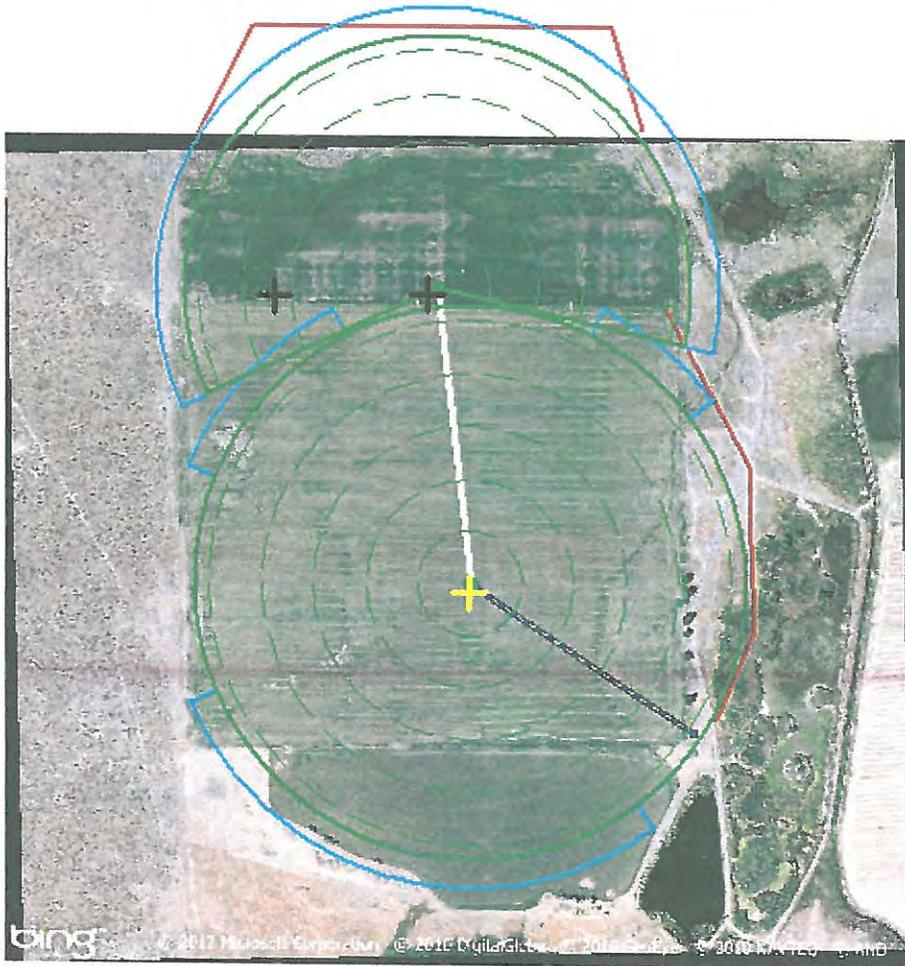
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Farm: Field1	
Grower: <i>Spring Cove Ranch</i>	5/2/2013

Systems:	Length	Spans	Total area including endgun
● Pivot 1	945.83 ft	5 spans + 44 ft o.h.	71.37 acres
● Pivot 2	869.50 ft	5 spans + 44 ft o.h.	40.86 acres

Pipe and Wire:	Length / Size	Description
● Pipe 1	915.36 ft / ??	<i>T55 R12 E sec 21</i>
○ Pipe 2	989.74 ft / ??	



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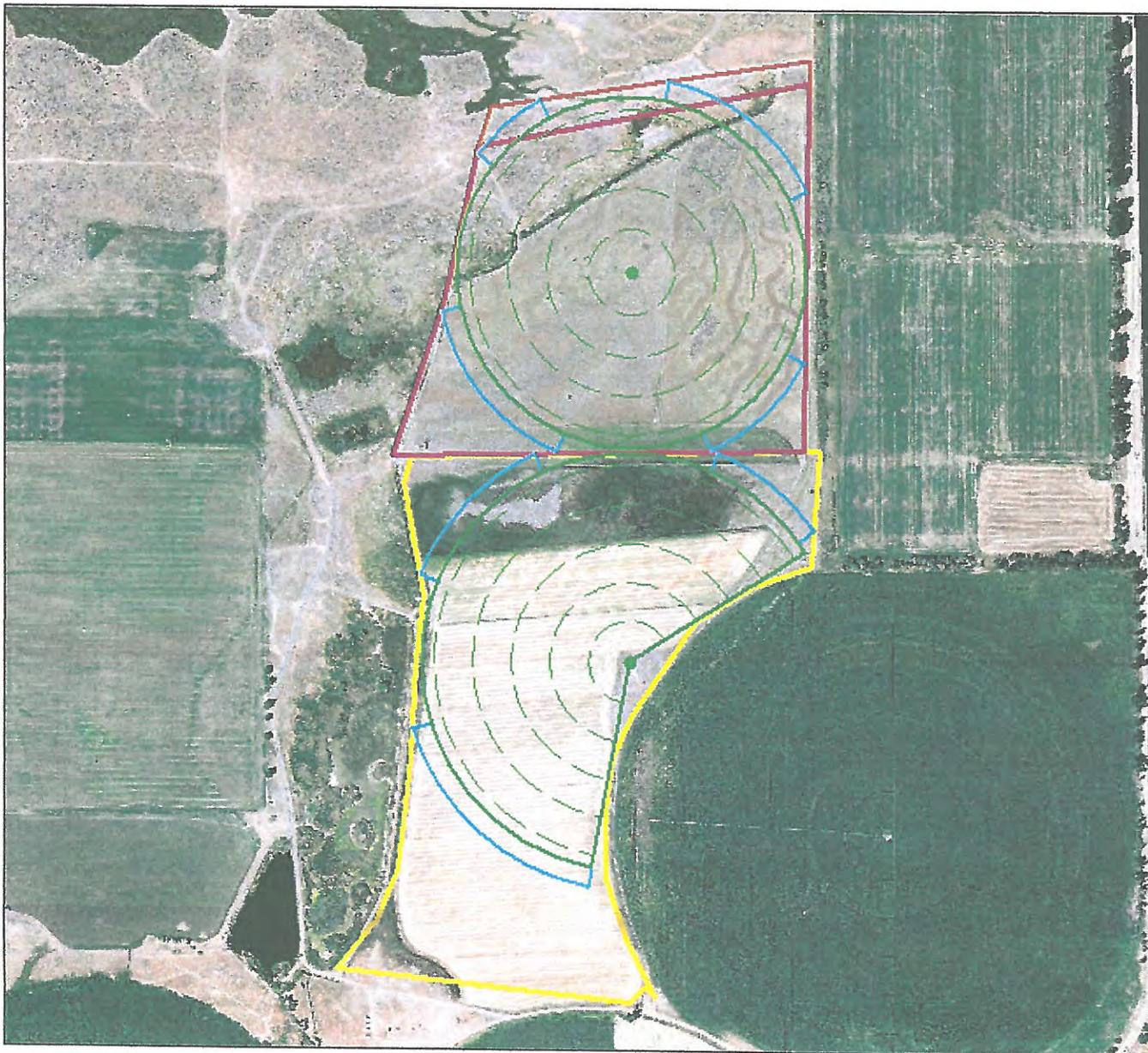
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Farm: Field1

Grower: Spring Cove Ranch TSS R12E Sec 21 5/2/2013

Systems:	Length	Spans	Total area including endgun
● Pivot 1	847.42 ft	5 spans + 44 ft o.h.	36.43 acres
● Pivot 2	712.42 ft	4 spans + 44 ft o.h.	40.75 acres



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Attachment B

This is a copy of a letter to me from Idaho Fish & Game in regards to my access yes contract, a copy of our signup sheets for the public, and a copy of the published Access Yes property description and map. Also enclosed is a copy of our private pond permit.

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IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
MAGIC VALLEY REGION
324 South 417 East, Suite 1
Jerome, Idaho 83338

C.L. "Butch" Otter / Governor
Virgil Moore / Director

June 14, 2013

Daniel Butler
283 E. Spring Cove Rd.
Bliss, ID 83314

Dear Daniel,

I thought I would send you copies of the *Access Yes!* sign-in box sheets for your review. As you know, not everyone that visits the property actually signs in. As such, we generally consider these an index of use relative to other properties rather than actual counts of sportsmen. Your property averages 114 sportsmen per year that stop and sign in at the box. Though I don't have a true correction factor, I suspect one person signs in for every three that actually access the property.

We greatly appreciate your continued involvement in the *Access Yes!* program. Your property provides a source of recreation that is in high demand in this area. The fishing and upland game hunting opportunities that your property provides are extremely limited in the Magic Valley Region. It is our sincere hope that your participation in this program over the past five years has been as rewarding to you as it clearly is to the sportsmen/women of Idaho.

If you have any concerns, need more signs, or have any questions, please feel free to contact me in our regional office at 324-4359.

Respectfully,

Brad Lowe
Landowner/Sportsmen Coordinator
Magic Valley Region

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Date	Party Size	Species Hunted/Fished	Number Harvested	License Plate #/ Vehicle Descr.	Contact Information or Additional Comments
8/20	3	Bass	2	1A DR026	
8/20	1	Bass	0	2915732	David Doffer 320-1776
8-21	1	Bass	1 ^{small} fish	WA 465-XNP	David Knapp 509-926-1467
8-23	1	Bass		26 22921	1 Party land
8-26	1	Bass		26 22921	1 Party land
8/27	1	just looking		329 ACW	Richard Prange (205) 866-1396
8/28	3	FISHING	20T	26 265	GARY TUSSEY - GREAT APOKA
8/29	7	Bass			
8/29	1	Bass	0	26 22921	1 Party land
8/30	2	Bass		26 22921	1 Party land
9/5	8	Bass	0		Algee
9/11	5	anything!	0		Kinda
9/14	2	BASS		26-23905	THOMAS
9/21	2	Bass	0	267565	IKE THOMAS & Troy Allred
10/3	5	Bass	3		Algee
10/3	3	Bass	0	267565	IKE THOMAS
10/10	2	Bass	6 Released	2622921	1 Party land
10/14	11	Bass	2	2622921	CHRIS VARNUM Redding, CA
10/14	2	Bass		2622921	1 Party land

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7/23/11	5			5B77H86	Carl Grassler, Thank you Brew Fulgile
7/24/11	4			Silver change 2911	Bryang Kyie, Abbs, Bree
7/24/11	1			15763476	Tom Case
7/29/11	7	fish	4	7614217	Dan Beckson/Chris Jackson
7/29/11	7	fish	0		Fred "Maverick" ()
7/29/11	1			616-6-40	Robert L. Raehart
7/29/11	2	fish	2	Cooking	Family (Grand & Family)
7/29/11	6	bas	2	0 Tuttle	2714419
7/29/11	3	bas	0	26-22921	Troy Arneson
7/30/11	1	bas	1	2174419	Daniel Grand
7/30/11	5	bas	5	Burb	Clarence & Mary
7/30/11	2	bas	2	truck	Jess & Mike Graber
7/30/11	3	bas	0	truck	IKE Thomas & Troy Alfred
7/30/11	2	bas	1	car	Thank you very much
7/30/11	2	bas	2	Burb/Truck	Robert & Candy (Richard)
7/30/11	5	bas	0	Cherry 203CP	Dan Grand & JCanti
7/30/11	2	bas	0	2T4419	Darcy Vanham & Family
7/30/11	2	bas	0	2G 1565	Troy Arneson & Tom Thomas
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Date	Party Size	Species Hunted/Fished	Number Harvested	License Plate #/ Vehicle Descr.	Contact Information or Additional Comments
1/14/11	2	Sheep	1	324 ALJ	Richard Frange (208) 866-1396
2/8/11	2	"	1	"	" " " "
3/5/12	2	none	0	"	just visiting for future hunting - Bill Binkley Kincaid 814-404-4662
3-5-12	2	Deer w/Telemetry	0	2/6 RAMS	" "

Spring Coase

7-20-11

Date	Party Size	Species Hunted/Fished	Number Harvested	License Plate #/ Vehicle Descr.	Contact Information or Additional Comments
20-11	1	BASS	0	56745	MARK ABEL THANKS!

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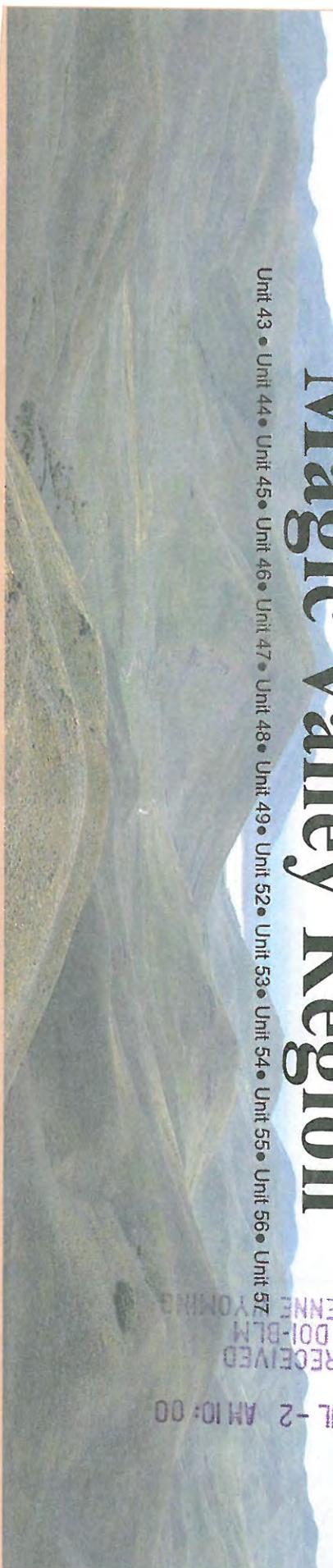
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CORRECTION:

Dates of access provided on pages: 9, 23, 37, 45, 49, 55, 75, 81, 84, 91, 94, and 109 were not updated and should read the year 2012 not 2011.

2012

Guide To Properties



The Goal

The goal of *Access Yes!* is to provide hunting and fishing access on private land or through private land to public land in Idaho for current and future generations of sportsmen.

Landowner Participation

Step 1. Voluntary enrollment of the property to be considered for the *Access Yes!* program. An enrollment form (available at the regional offices or on the Department's website) can be completed with the assistance of the Regional Landowner/Sportsmen Coordinator and submitted through the regional IDFG office.

Step 2. The landowner submits a "bid" to the regional Landowner/Sportsmen Coordinator which describes the property including location, land use, hunting and/or fishing resources available, landowner's terms of access to be allowed, and the type and amount of compensation.

Step 3. "Bids" are reviewed by a local Sportsman's Review Committee who evaluate the landowner's bid on criteria such as size of the parcel offered, type of access provided, type and abundance of game, quality of habitat, and bid price. These regional committees recommend which bids the Department should accept.

Step 4. Landowner notified of decision.

Landowners are compensated for enrolling their private land in the *Access Yes!* program by:

- 1) Direct monetary payments,
- 2) Habitat improvement or access development projects, or
- 3) Other incentives will be considered.

Regional Sportsman's Review Committee

Each Sportsman's Review Committee is comprised of five local members with diverse sporting interests including big game, waterfowl and upland birds, angling, and trapping. They are nominated by the IDFG Regional Supervisor, approved by the IDFG Director and serve two to three-year terms. Committee members cannot be enrolled in the *Access Yes!* program.

Limitation of Landowner Liability

Landowners participating in the *Access Yes!* program are covered by the state recreational liability statute (36-1604), which provides a liability shield to landowners who allow recreation on their property. The liability shield applies to landowners who provide recreational opportunities without charge or have entered into a cooperative lease agreement with the state.

Access Yes! Properties

In addition to this atlas, a guide to participating properties is available on the Fish and Game website at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov> and at IDFG regional offices. The guide is updated each spring and provides the location and the recreational opportunities available. Properties are identified with unique signs featuring the *Access Yes!* logo.

More information about *Access Yes!* is available from the following offices.

Panhandle Region	208-769-1414
Clearwater Region	208-799-5010
Southwest Region	208-634-8137
Magic Valley Region	208-324-4359
Southeast Region	208-232-4703
Upper Snake Region	208-525-7290
Salmon Region	208-756-2271
Headquarters	208-334-3700

Five General Rules For Protecting

Private

Property

- Ask Permission
- Leave Gates As You Found Them
- Don't Litter
- Be Courteous
- Don't Drive Off Established Roads

Please act responsibly and respect private property. Your attention to landowner's requirements will help ensure a successful *Access Yes!* program for the sportsmen of today and tomorrow.



**LANDOWNER
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How To Use This Guide

This guide begins with an overview of the Access Yes! properties in the Magic Valley Region and continues to give you more detailed maps as you narrow down the areas you wish to access. The following steps will help you in this process:

- Step 1)** Review the map on page 4 showing all of the Access Yes! properties and the Game Management Units within the Magic Valley Region.
- Step 2)** Choose a Game Management Unit you want more information about (*Example:* Unit 44).
- Step 3)** Use the table of contents to find the page number where more information can be obtained for the Game Management Unit you chose (*Example:* Unit 44 is found on page 8).
- Step 4)** Review the map for the Game Management Unit you chose and find a property you want to access (*Example:* 11).
- Step 5)** Use the number from the Game Management Unit map identifying the property you want to access and find that number in the table on the following page.
- Step 6)** Take note of the dates of access, activities allowed (e.g., big game hunting, trapping, fishing, etc.), and other restrictions (*Example:* 11 represents the property owned by Faulkner Land & Livestock. The property can be accessed year-round. Campfires and camping are prohibited and access is allowed by foot or horseback only. All types of hunting, fishing, and trapping are allowed).
- Step 7)** The number used to identify the property represents the page number where you can find a more detailed map of the property. Turn to that page. For properties with large expanses of land, inset maps have been provided on subsequent pages to provide more user-friendly maps. The area being expanded is outlined in a checkered box (*Example:* 3 additional maps are provided on pages 12-14).

Legend

	Interstate		BLM
	Major Highway		PRIVATE
	Highway		STATE
	Highway		USFS
	Dirt Road		Game Management Units
	2-Track		Main Property
	4 WD		Other Property
	Trail		Inset Area

Restrictions

-  Vehicle use only on existing roads
-  Vehicle use only for retrieving game
-  No vehicle use: walk-in or horse access only
-  No overnight camping
-  No open fires

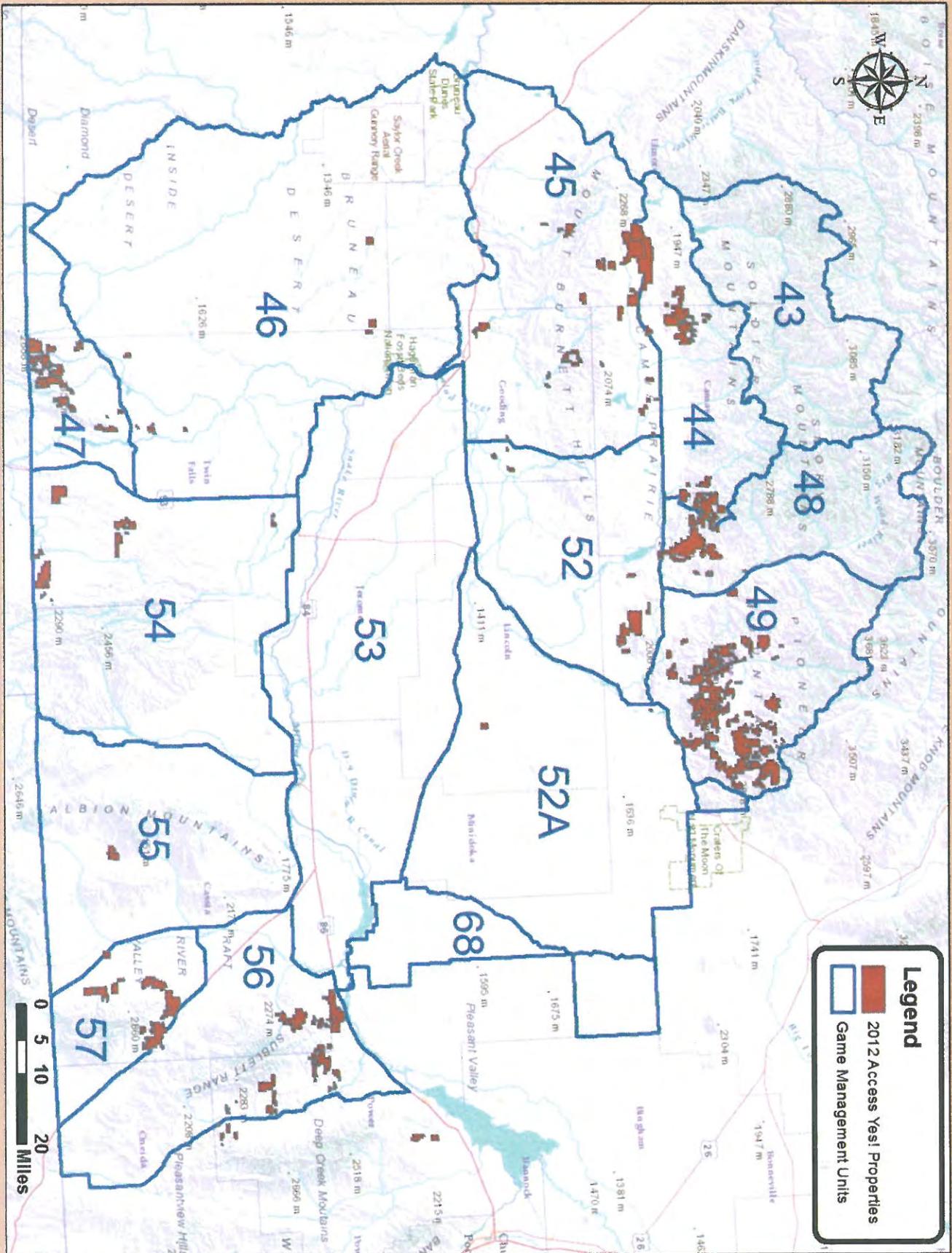
Opportunities

-  Big game
-  Upland game
-  Small game
-  Waterfowl
-  Fishing
-  Trapping

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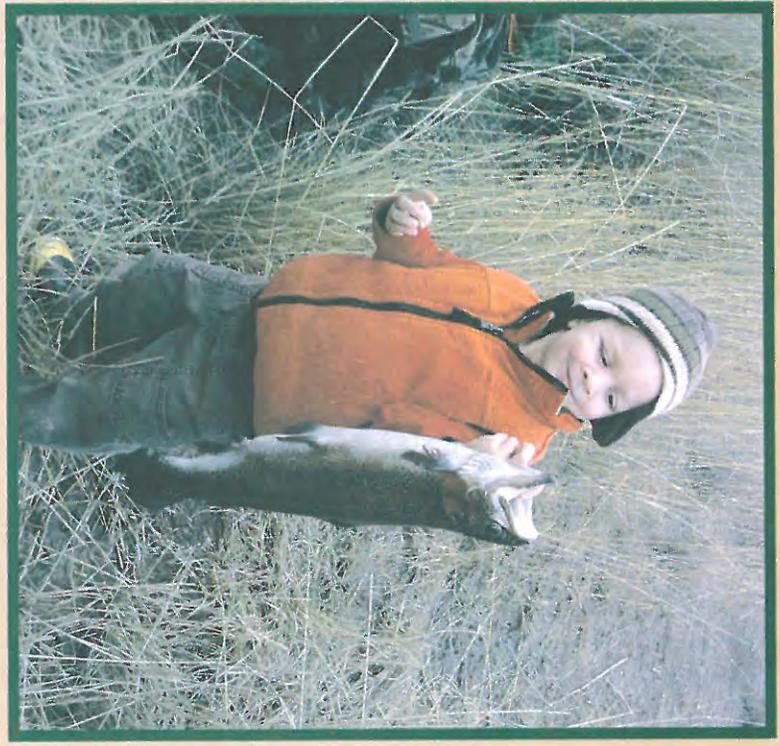


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Unit 45 Access Yes/ Properties

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Property (Website Title)	Page #	Landowner Permission Required										Other				
		Dates of Access (Year-round unless otherwise stated)										Other				
		Sportsmen Numbers Unlimited	Sportsmen Numbers Limited	No Campfires Allowed	No Camping	Vehicles Restricted To Existing Roads	Foot Or Horse Traffic ONLY	Vehicle Use To Retrieve Game ONLY	Other	Big Game	Upland Game	Small Game	Waterfowl	Trapping	Fishing	Exceptions
Bray Valley Ranch (Clover Cr. - Davis Mountain - Unit 45)	25	X								X	X	X	X			
Faulkner Land & Livestock (Lime Creek, Camp Creek, Camas Creek, Sailor Creek)	26	X								X	X	X	X	X		
Gwinn Rice Ranch, Inc. (Camas Prairie)	27	X								X	X	X	X			No sage-grouse hunting
Hammett Livestock (Bennett Mtn - Unit 45)	28	X								X	X	X	X	X		No sage-grouse hunting
Janss Farms (Hill City - North)	31	X								X	X	X	X			No sage-grouse hunting
Mark Toome (Willow Creek)	32	X								X	X	X	X	X		No sage-grouse hunting
Sawtooth Grazing Association (Camp Creek, Packer Butte)	20	X								X	X	X	X			No sage-grouse hunting
Spring Cove Ranch Inc. (Spring Cove Ranch Bass Ponds)	35	X								X	X	X	X	X		Overnight camping is by reservations. Fires in fire pits ONLY.

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Spring Cove Ranch, Inc. (access to 1,000 acres of private land)

Directions: From Bliss, travel west along I-84 approximately 3 miles to Exit 137, then travel west on Old Highway 30 approximately 2.8 miles, then turn and travel north on Spring Cove Road approximately 1 mile.

Landowner Permission Required

Phone: 352-4374

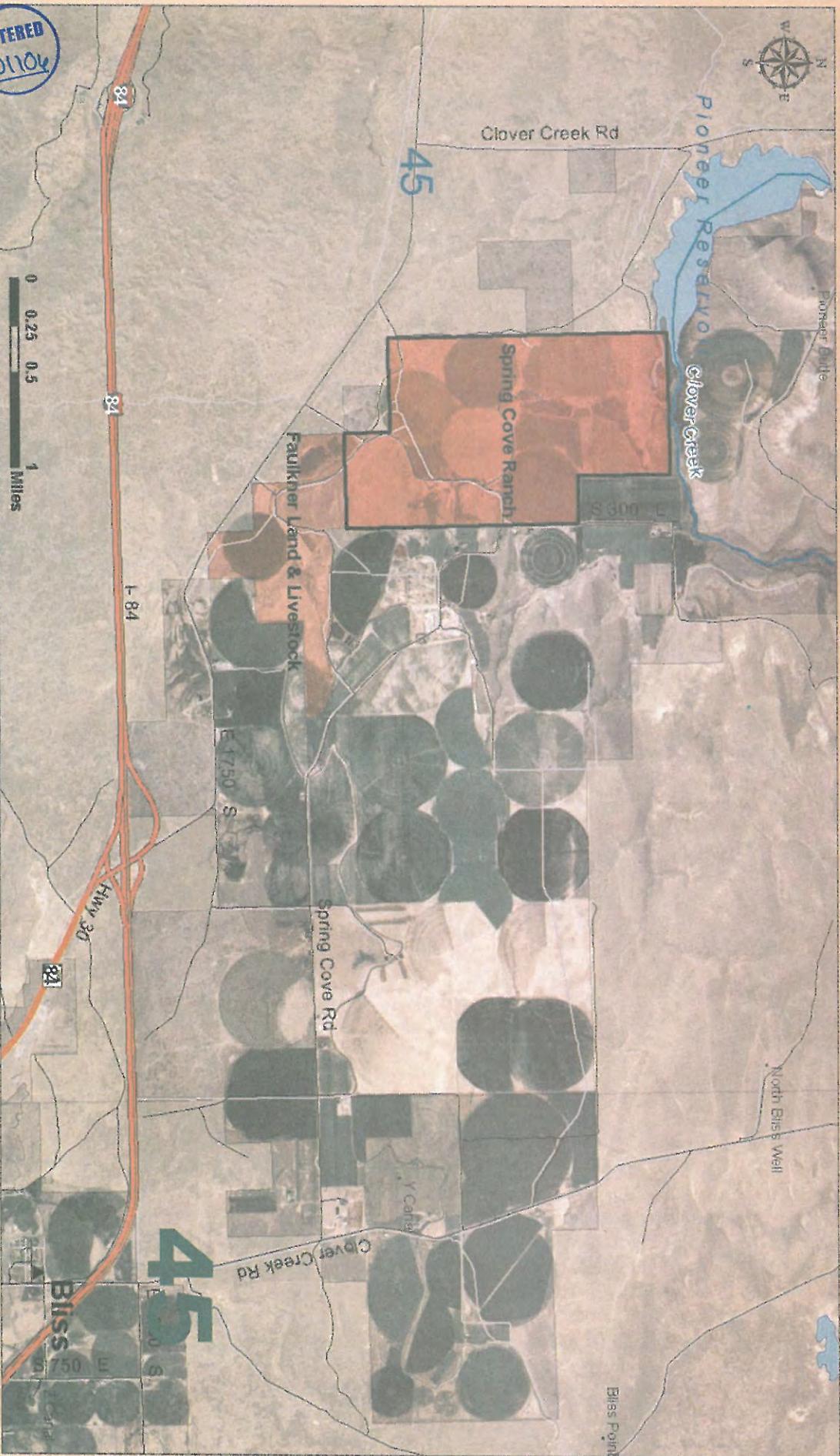
Restrictions:

 *Camping by reservation. Fires in fire pits ONLY.*

Opportunities:



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These permits are valid for
3 years. The new permit has been
applied for but not recieved yet.
This permit allows me to regulate
harvest + seasons, and buy and
sell fish as I deem necessary.

Thanks
Daniel Butler



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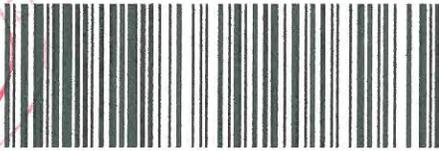
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Date: June 2, 13

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Comment:

This is in response to the change of plans concerning the Gateway West Transmission Line Project.

First The plan going thru the Birds of Prey area is the most feasible, the reasons being, One shorter distance, two less intrusive to private land/home owners, third less cost to power companies hence less cost to consumers of that power and finally finally the birds will be using these towers for resting and nesting habitate. The maintenance road/trail will not hamper the birds in hunting and hinder the wildlife in those areas.

The cost of 2 million a mile should be minimized in the distance for the power companies. The amount paid will be transferred to the consumer in there power bills. The additional costs of easment and



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purchasing properties will raise these costs. Hence the consumer will be hit with higher power bills.

I live in the area affected by the current plans and just outside the Birds of Prey Area. Fact is despite what Bird advocates say I have had Golden/Bald Eagles and multiple hawks, owls resting on the power poles at my residence. They don't mind and even enjoy those roosting spots. I've had many of these birds nesting in my barn and pasture and ~~these~~ ~~the~~ trees.

I cannot accept the argument that this line thru that uninhabited area ~~would~~ would hurt these birds. These animals are very adaptive.

It bothers me that the Sec. of Interior would advocate the building of this line destroying homes and property values. For the individual that doesn't even know what the terrain is and what it looks like or even where Idaho is.

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From: info@gatewaywesteis.com
To: [Gateway BLM](#)
Subject: A final EIS comment from gatewaywesteis.com
Date: Friday, June 28, 2013 11:06:43 AM

A final EIS comment from gatewaywesteis.com.

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Andra Cates

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State:

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Zip:

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cateandr@isu.edu

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Comment:

Considering the Gateway West project Segment 5 and 7. I would like to know why the BLM is pushing for a plan that benefits only itself, by avoiding the controversy of placing public utilities on public land. The Idaho State Journal reported that between Downey and American Falls, only 13 miles of the proposed line would be on BLM land. The BLM needs to consider how landowners feel about the proposed line occupying their land before they go through with this plan. Also, just because the transmission line is on private land, it does not mean it will not affect public recreation or the scenic beauty of the Deep Creek Mountains.

I live on the east side of the Rockland Valley and this transmission line will negatively impact my view of the Deep Creek Mountains. It could also negatively impact the property value of my home. I walk and

recreate in this area almost daily. If the Gateway West project is installed as proposed it will negatively impact my quality of recreation and my quality of life. More emphasis should be placed on how these large structures will affect the scenery of Idaho not only now but for future generations.

There is new technology which allows transmission lines to be buried. The Power County Gateway West Citizens Task Force requested that buried lines be considered. However, buried lines were not addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement. Buried lines would alleviate my recreational and residential concerns. They would also alleviate the concerns of private landowners. Buried transmission lines would create a win-win situation for everyone involved and they must be considered for Gateway West.

Sincerely,

Andra Cates

Richard M. Chastain
952 Camelot Dr.
Boise, ID 83704



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Dear Sirs:

As an adversely effected property owner in the Gateway right of way selection process, in particular area 8B, southern Ada County, I have attended the meetings, read the offered materials to include the final EIS in an attempt to learn why your agency persists in what is referred to as the "BLM Preferred Route."

Regrettably, no logic is provided as to why the project would be better routed through a populated area, the future growth area of Boise City, causing increased right of way acquisition and construction costs, decimating property values, causing subsequent increased rate payer costs, and the opposition of all segments, both public and private, of effected Idaho citizenry; when to the south lies acres, miles of "nothingness" which can absorb the project without the negatives enumerated above.

In the writers situation the BLM preferred route locates the line approximately one half mile to the north of said property's northern boundary rendering development plans an assured loss plus sharply and unnecessarily diminishing property values. Many area property owners are similarly effected. Legal recourse is a regrettable alternative, however, in light of the BLM position in this matter, it must be considered.

Idaho is a bucolic wonder, one can, in a very brief time, be where no one has ever been, there is ample room for all, birds, bees, people, etc. Why a "bird" sanctuary was allowed to be placed in the path of a rapidly expanding city, when miles of alternative space was available will remain a question unanswered.

Listen to Idaho Power, they have to live here, and pay the grievous price of this error, Gateway has no logical or viable reason to trespass southern Ada County and disrupt the lives and enterprise of the folks who abide here, when there are preferable alternatives immediately available.

Listen and adhere to common sense, people, taxpayers, rate payers come first. It's time for Gateway to get out of town.

Very truly yours,

Richard M. Chastain

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Date: 05/09/13

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Comment:

Segment 8 Midpoint Substation to Hemingway Substation avoids most populated areas and stays south of cities like Kuna & Melba and SRBOP areas. Here where we live we often see birds of prey roasting on power poles and hunting rodents etc. in the fields on both sides of the road. I like 8 e,f,g,h,i best, although 9h (red on Seg. 9 map) looks very good and perhaps less expensive than 9e farther south. But Segment 8 e,f,g,h,i avoids more populated and traffic areas.

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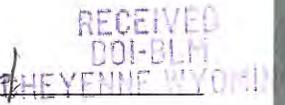
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Date: 5-10-13

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Comment:

After reviewing the displays and the information expressed by the BLM personnel at the open-house held at the Old Kuna Gym, I definitely think that the proposed route, not the BLM preferred alternative, would by far be best (Segment 8 Proposed). The Segment 8 Proposed route would be more cost-efficient, less problematic, and less-disrupting for many families. Thank you.

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Comment:

The BLM did a good job studying the impact of the Gateway Transmission Line on sage grouse but did not study the economic impact it would have on farmers and private property. I am concerned that the line goes through one of the most productive areas of Cassia County. Also if this is a BLM project why don't they use primarily BLM land instead of 80% private land. I would like to see some adjustments made to the route so that it will not hurt Cassia County's economy.

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Comment:

To the concerned Citizens of the Gateway West Project
I do hereby thank you and applaud you for your tremendous
efforts to greatly enhance and improve the electrical
infrastructure across Southern Idaho and Wyoming.
As being honored to have a voice in this decision,
my hope and goal is that Alternative 9D, G will
be selected and utilized for infrastructure
improvement (there north of Bruneau). My reason for this is
then the line will run adjacent the Idaho Energy
Complex site where several million dollars were
spent on a premium sight for the possible building
of the 1.6 giga watt nuclear power plant.

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Name: Scott J. Clark



A second phase could increase power production to 3.2 gigawatts, which, I believe, could make good use of the 500 kilovolt line that will form the Gate Way West project. An active \$750,000 weather tower was installed to monitor the site, as well as a second tower, and close to a dozen test wells. One of the current owners of the site has been applauded by Simplot for investing thirty-five million dollars into the Heyburn potato processing plant, demonstrating his vigor towards industrial development. Therefore, I consider this not only a viable, ~~but~~ more than viable, a probable project, and that it will be greatly enhanced by selecting Alternative 9D, G as a route for the 500 kilovolt project. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Scott J. Clark

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Comment:

Dear Sirs:
We greatly oppose Gateway Power Line Route
Segment 17 which goes through 3
miles of farm land - there will be
no land left to raise food & crops
for our generation and others to come.
We had numerous sage grouse on
our land in past years
Yours Truly
Vernon Miller
Elaine Miller

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Comment:

We have AN EXISTING powerLine going thru the BIRDS OF PRAY AREA NOW AND I see NO REASON NOT TO PARALLEL THIS EXISTING Line. IT would have very LITTLE ADDITIONAL IMPACT TO the SAGE BRUSH DESERT. I have visited with MORLEY Nelson while he WAS ALIVE AND he had high PRAISE FOR IDAHO Power's WORK PROTECTING the HABITAT FOR his bird FRIENDS, Do what IDAHOIENS WANT NOT what EASTERN U.S. BLM WANTS.

Thank you Leo Clayd

Isn't BLM Land belong TO IDAHO TAXPAYERS & BLM WORKS FOR US?

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I am concerned that a BLM project is ~~being~~ putting so much stress on private citizens. If it is a BLM project it should be put mostly on BLM ground. It seems ~~a~~ that taking 80% of private farmground out of production would be a extremely hard economic strain on Cassia County.

The sage grouse were taken very seriously and given a through study. It seems that private farm owners should be given the same time + effort to distinguish the economic stress this project would be on them.

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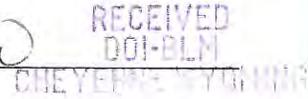


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Comment:

I have attended the meetings discussing the Gateway project. I have listened carefully and feel the best route that would affect the least amount of people and property is the TK route. That's more important, people or sage grouse?

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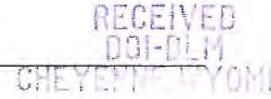


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Comment:

the line needs to go on the
Alternative TK route on government
ground missing private homes
and private farm ground. People
are more important than sage grouse.
the power is not far away and we
should not have to give up personal
land for it.

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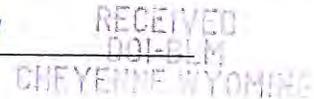
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We strongly SUPPORT segment 8 and segment 9D and OPPOSE the "BLM Preferred Routes" (segment 8B and 9E and proponent's proposed segment 9) as expressed in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

Three additional reasons among many include:

1. Segment 8B and 9E (BLM preferred routes) would burden private citizens with costs of millions of dollars.
2. Should the BLM's Preferred Routes come to fruition, the citizens and governmental authorities of Idaho's reached collaborative consensus would be turned back as meaningless by Washington DC.
3. The "enhancement requirements" to Birds of Prey can be met within the construction processes of the project through the Morley Nelson Birds of Prey defined area.

4. My view of the beautiful Cwyhee mountains would be ruined.

5. My property value would go down.

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