BLM PLANNING 2.0

Proposed BLM Rule and Utah County Resource Management Plans

PLPCO

UTAH'S PUBLIC LANDS POLICY COORDINATING OFFICE

Main Concerns

- Shortened Review Period Less time to review complex and large NEPA documents
- Responsible Official Foreshadows potential move away from state to regional office management similar to US Forest Service
- ACECs More flexible management
- Relevant Public Values More public involvement, devaluing of State and local input
- Landscape Scale Management Loss of local data and site level decision making
- Consistency Review Some changes... but BLM will still need be consistent with State and local land use plans to the maximum extent practicable

Consistency Review

NEW PLANNING LANGUAGE READS:

1610.3-2 Consistency Requirements

a) Resource management plans will be consistent with officially approved or adopted land use plans of other Federal agencies, State and local governments, and Indian tribes to the maximum extent the BLM finds practical and consistent with the purposes of FLPMA and other Federal law and regulations applicable to public lands

Changes to Consistency Review

- BLM no longer recognize State and local "policies and programs" as stated in FLPMA
 - Reasoning is that relevant policies and programs will be included in State and local land use plans
- BLM only recognizes officially approved or adopted plans
 - Plans must be approved according to authorized legislation or charters provided by State and local government

FLPMA

Sec. 202 (c) (9)

"...coordinate the land use inventory, planning, and management activities of or for such lands with the land use planning and management programs of other Federal departments and agencies and of the States and local governments..."

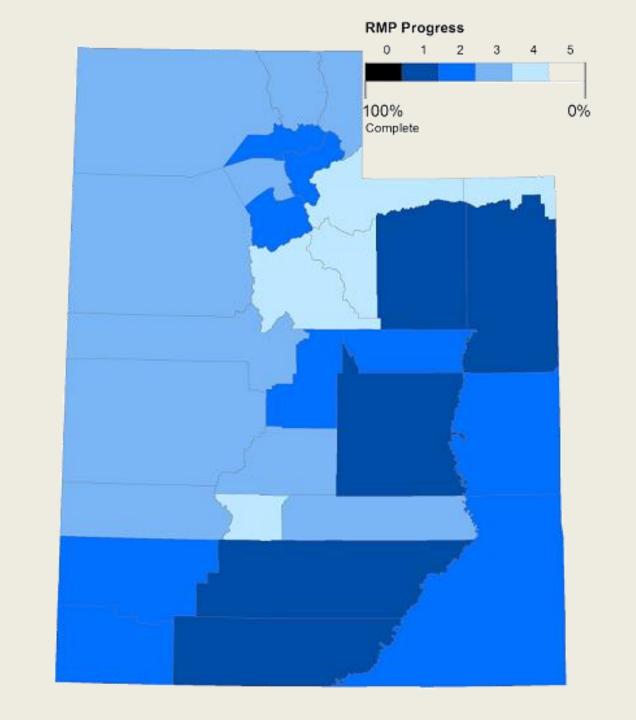
"...provide for meaningful public involvement of State and local government officials, both elected and appointed, in the development of land use programs, land use regulations, and land use decisions for public lands..."

COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANS

Update on County Plans

Counties and AOG's are making great strides to complete County plans on schedule

- Coordination between counties
- AOG coordination and cooperation
- PLPCO starting the state wide plan
- Counties sharing best practices and language
- Coordination on regional resources



Moving Forward:

- Regional meetings with AOG's, Counties and PLPCO
- Continued WebX meetings
- Review of county plans by state agencies, PLPCO and state planner
- Compilation of county plans into state-wide plan
- Updated web-site at <u>countyrmp.org</u>