

## CHECKLIST ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

<b>Project Name:</b>	2007 Land Banking – Conrad Unit – CLO – Sec. 26, 27, T23N, R8W
<b>Proposed Implementation Date:</b>	2008
<b>Proponent:</b>	This tract was nominated by the lessee, Deep Creek Ranch & Management Co., and brought forward now by DNRC.
<b>Location:</b>	T23N, R8W, Section 26, W½NW¼, NE¼NW¼ - 120 acres T23N, R8W, Section 27, SE¼NE¼ - 40 acres Total Acres: 160
<b>County:</b>	Teton County
<b>Trust:</b>	Common Schools

### I. TYPE AND PURPOSE OF ACTION

Offer for Sale at Public Auction 160 acres of state land currently held in trust for the benefit of Common Schools. Revenue from the sale would be deposited in a special account, with monies from other sales around the State, to purchase replacement lands meeting acquisition criteria related to legal access, productivity, potential income and proximity to existing state ownership which would then be held in trust for the benefit of the same beneficiary Trusts in relative proportion. The proposed sale is part of a program called Land Banking authorized by the 2003 Legislature, and updated by the 2007 Legislature. The purpose of the program is for the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation to overall, diversify uses of land holdings of the various Trusts, improve the sustained rate of return to the Trusts, improve access to state trust land and consolidate ownership. Three maps are attached to this EA checklist: 1. Labeled "Teton County – Land Banking Priorities" is a general map of all state land within the county (blue) and those parcels of land considered for sale under land banking (red). 2. Labeled "Appendix B" is a satellite imagery map that indicates the tract considered for sale in the EA checklist.

### II. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

#### 1. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT, AGENCIES, GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED:

*Provide a brief chronology of the scoping and ongoing involvement for this project.*

- A letter was distributed in September 2004 to all state surface lessees informing them of the Land Banking Program and requesting nominations be submitted by lessees between October 1, 2004 and January 31, 2005. *(These tracts were nominated at that time and are now being considered as part of the second Statewide round of Land banking sales.)*
- Legal notices were published in the in the Great Falls Tribune on 11/4/2007 and 11/11/2007, Teton County Choteau Acantha on 11/5/2007 and 11/12/2007.
- Direct mailings were made to lessees, adjacent land owners, County Commissioners, State Legislators (from the involved Districts and who were associated with the legislation), and a host of organizations and individuals who had expressed previous interest in this process. A full listing of contacts is attached as Appendix C.
- Follow-up contacts were made by phone, mail, or email with parties requesting additional information. These are also included in Appendix C.
- The tracts were also posted on the DNRC web page at, <http://dnrc.mt.gov/TLMSPublic/LandBanking/LBTest.aspx>

#### 2. OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES WITH JURISDICTION, LIST OF PERMITS NEEDED:

No other governmental agencies have jurisdiction over this proposal.

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### 3. ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

Alternative A (No Action) – Under this alternative, the State retains the existing land ownership pattern and would not sell the 160 acres of Common Schools Trust Land contained in Sec. 26 & 27, T23N, R8W

Alternative B (the Proposed action) – Under this alternative, the Department would request and recommend approval by the Land Board to sell the proposed tract. If approved by the Board, the sale would be at public auction, subject to the requirements found in Title 77, Chapter 2, Part 3 of the Montana Codes Annotated. The income from the sale would be pooled with other land sale receipts from across the State to fund the purchase of other state land, easements, or improvements for the beneficiaries of the respective trusts. *(The State would then review available lands for sale which would generally have access and an increased potential for income. A separate public scoping and review would be conducted when a potentially suitable parcel was found. It is not possible for this analysis to make any direct parcel to parcel comparisons.)*

### III. IMPACTS ON THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

- *RESOURCES potentially impacted are listed on the form, followed by common issues that would be considered.*
- *Explain POTENTIAL IMPACTS AND MITIGATIONS following each resource heading.*
- *Enter "NONE" if no impacts are identified or the resource is not present.*

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### 4. GEOLOGY AND SOIL QUALITY, STABILITY AND MOISTURE:

*Consider the presence of fragile, compactable or unstable soils. Identify unusual geologic features. Specify any special reclamation considerations. Identify any cumulative impacts to soils.*

A variety of soil types exist across this tract. USDA – NRCS soil survey indicated Land Capability Classification as a mixture of 6W, 7E and 7S soils. The entire tract would not meet current DNRC break policy, nor would it make viable cropland. *("If properly managed, soils in classes 1, 2, 3, 4 are suitable for the mechanized production of commonly grown field crops and for pasture and woodland. The degree of the soil limitations affecting the production of cultivated crops increases progressively from class 1 to class 5. The limitations can affect levels of production and the risk of permanent soil deterioration caused by erosion and other factors. Soils in classes 5, 6, 7 are generally not suitable for mechanized productions without special management. Capability subclasses indicate the dominant limitations in the class, E, shows that the main hazard is the risk of erosion unless a close growing plant cover is maintained." From USDA-NRCS Soil Survey).* Topography varies from gently rolling to "breaks" with steep slopes. Soils are stable due to the permanent vegetation cover. The proposal does not involve any on the ground disturbance, so there are no soil effect differences between the alternatives. It is expected that this land will be used for livestock grazing in the future. The State owns, and would retain ownership of, all mineral rights associated with this tract.

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### 5. WATER QUALITY, QUANTITY AND DISTRIBUTION:

*Identify important surface or groundwater resources. Consider the potential for violation of ambient water quality standards, drinking water maximum contaminant levels, or degradation of water quality. Identify cumulative effects to water resources.*

Deep Creek, a perennial stream, runs through this tract. There are not other recorded water rights associated with the proposed tract for sale. Other water quality and/or quantity issue will not be impacted by the proposed action.

legal	Water right no.	Purpose	Source	Priority date
	NONE			

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**6. AIR QUALITY:**

*What pollutants or particulate would be produced? Identify air quality regulations or zones (e.g. Class I air shed) the project would influence. Identify cumulative effects to air quality.*

The proposal does not include any on-the-ground activities, or changes to activities. No effects to air quality would occur.

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**7. VEGETATION COVER, QUANTITY AND QUALITY:**

*What changes would the action cause to vegetative communities? Consider rare plants or cover types that would be affected. Identify cumulative effects to vegetation.*

All acres proposed for sale are native rangeland typical of the Mountain and Foothills region of the Rocky Mountain Front. Range sites are dominated by thin silty, shallow to gravel, and very shallow. Species composition is dominated by grasses which include rough fescue, blue bunch wheatgrass, Idaho fescue, western wheatgrass, green needle grass, plains muhly, green needle grass, sandberg bluegrass and prairie junegrass. Sub-dominate species include shrubby cinquefoil, horizontal juniper, fringed sagewort and various forbs. According to previous DNRC inspections, noxious weeds (Canada thistle, musk thistle, and hounds tongue) have been identified scattered along Deep Creek. Current range condition is low good with an estimated carrying capacity or stocking rate assessed at .28 AUMs per acre.

Vegetation may be affected by numerous land management activities including livestock grazing, development, wildlife management or other agricultural use. It is unknown what land use activities may be associated with a change in ownership; however the vegetation on this tract is typical of a land throughout the vicinity and there are no known rare, unique cover types or vegetation on this tract. It is expected that this land will be used for grazing livestock in the future. The nominating lessee has indicated that if they purchased this tract the land use would remain as grazing land. The proposal does not include any on-the-ground activities, or changes to activities and therefore we do not expect direct or cumulative effects would occur to vegetation as a result of the proposal.

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**8. TERRESTRIAL, AVIAN AND AQUATIC LIFE AND HABITATS:**

*Consider substantial habitat values and use of the area by wildlife, birds or fish. Identify cumulative effects to fish and wildlife.*

This area, and the Rocky Mountain Front in general, is considered prime wildlife habitat. Grizzly bear, black bear, big horn sheep, elk and mule deer are the main large species that utilize this area. This tract may provide habitat for other big game species (whitetail deer, pronghorn antelope), predators (wolf, coyote, fox, badger), upland game birds (sharp tail grouse, Hungarian partridge), other non-game mammals, raptors and various songbirds. Mountain whitefish, rainbow trout, and brook trout are present in Deep Creek. The proposal does not include any land use change which would yield changes to the wildlife habitat. The proposed action will not impact wildlife forage, cover, or traveling corridors. Nor will this action change the juxtaposition of wildlife forage, water, or hiding and thermal cover.

The nominating lessee has indicated that if they purchased this tract, the land use would remain as grazing land. There are no unique or critical wildlife habitats associated with the state tract and we do not expect direct or cumulative wildlife impacts would occur as a result of implementing the proposal. The proposed action will not have long-term negative affects on existing wildlife species and/or wildlife habitat because of its relatively small scale.

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**9. UNIQUE, ENDANGERED, FRAGILE OR LIMITED ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES:**

*Consider any federally listed threatened or endangered species or habitat identified in the project area. Determine effects to wetlands. Consider Sensitive Species or Species of special concern. Identify cumulative effects to these species and their habitat.*

Grizzly bear, bald eagle, and cut throat trout are known to use this tract and desirable habitat for these species is also present. Also, this area is located within the northern grizzly bear recovery zone. A review of Natural Heritage data through NRIS was conducted and no other species of special concerns were reported in this area.

The proposal does not include any activities which would alter any habitat, so no effects are expected in either alternative.

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**10. HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES:**

*Identify and determine effects to historical, archaeological or paleontological resources.*

No archaeological features have been observed from past DNRC field evaluation forms. A class III level inventory and subsequent evaluation of cultural and paleontologic resources will be carried out if preliminary approval of the parcel nomination by the Board of Commissioners is received. Based on the results of the Class III inventory/evaluation the DNRC will, in consultation with the Montana State Historic Preservation Officer, assess direct and cumulative impacts.

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**11. AESTHETICS:**

*Determine if the project is located on a prominent topographic feature, or may be visible from populated or scenic areas. What level of noise, light or visual change would be produced? Identify cumulative effects to aesthetics.*

This tract is located in a rural agricultural area along the rocky mountain front and is not visible from a county road. The state land does not provide any unique scenic qualities not also provided on adjacent private lands. The proposal does not include any on-the-ground activities, so there would be no change to the aesthetics in either alternative.

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**12. DEMANDS ON ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES OF LAND, WATER, AIR OR ENERGY:**

*Determine the amount of limited resources the project would require. Identify other activities nearby that the project would affect. Identify cumulative effects to environmental resources.*

There are 5,158,258 acres of Trust land and more than 4.6 million acres of Common Schools surface ownership in Montana (FY 2007 TLMD Annual Report). There are approximately 103,938 acres of total Trust land in Teton County. This proposal includes selling 160 acres, a small percentage of the state trust land within Teton County.

There are additional tracts of state land currently under consideration for sale through the Land Banking Program. An additional 449 acres of state land in Teton County, and approximately 20,000 acres statewide is being evaluated under separate analysis. Cumulatively, these lands considered for sale represent .57% of the State Trust surface ownership in Teton County, and 0.4% of the statewide Trust surface ownership.

The potential transfer of ownership will not have any impact or demands on environmental resources of Land water, air or energy.

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**13. OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS PERTINENT TO THE AREA:**

*List other studies, plans or projects on this tract. Determine cumulative impacts likely to occur as a result of current private, state or federal actions in the analysis area, and from future proposed state actions in the analysis area that are under MEPA review (scoped) or permitting review by any state agency.*

There are no other projects or plans being considered on the tract listed on this EA.

There are 4 tracts containing 600 acres in Teton County proposed for sale under the Land Banking Program and being evaluated under separate review.

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**IV. IMPACTS ON THE HUMAN POPULATION**

- *RESOURCES potentially impacted are listed on the form, followed by common issues that would be considered.*
- *Explain POTENTIAL IMPACTS AND MITIGATIONS following each resource heading.*
- *Enter "NONE" if no impacts are identified or the resource is not present.*

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**14. HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY:**

*Identify any health and safety risks posed by the project.*

No impacts to human health and safety would occur as a result of the proposal.

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**15. INDUSTRIAL, COMMERCIAL AND AGRICULTURE ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTION:**

*Identify how the project would add to or alter these activities.*

The tract included in this proposal is leased by Deep Creek Ranch and Management Co for grazing. The sale of this land would add to their ranching operations and overall ranch security. Below is a table that indicates the State rated carrying capacity of the tract being considered for sale.

Legal	Acres	Lease #	State rated carrying capacity
Sec 26	120	3593	38 AUMs
Sec 27	40	9999	7

This proposal does not include any specific changes to the agricultural activities. The nominating lessee indicated that grazing would continue unchanged if they purchased these lands.

No direct or cumulative impacts are anticipated as a result of the proposal.

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**16. QUANTITY AND DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYMENT:**

*Estimate the number of jobs the project would create, move or eliminate. Identify cumulative effects to the employment market.*

The proposal would have no affect on quantity and distribution of employment.

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**17. LOCAL AND STATE TAX BASE AND TAX REVENUES:**

*Estimate tax revenue the project would create or eliminate. Identify cumulative effects to taxes and revenue.*

State School Trust Lands are currently exempt from property tax. If State Trust Lands represent 6% or greater of the total acres within a county, a payment in lieu of taxes (PLT) is made to the counties to mitigate for the State Trust Land tax exempt status. Counties will not realize an adjustment in the PLT payment as a result of an increase or decrease in State Trust Land acreage. If all the parcels in this proposal are sold, and use continued as grazing land, Teton County would receive \$80.00 annually in additional property tax revenues.

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**18. DEMAND FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES:**

*Estimate increases in traffic and changes to traffic patterns. What changes would be needed to fire protection, police, schools, etc.? Identify cumulative effects of this and other projects on government services*

Being remote grazing lands, no traffic changes would be anticipated. All state and private land are under the County Coop wildfire protection program. The proposed sale will not change fire protections in the area.

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**19. LOCALLY ADOPTED ENVIRONMENTAL PLANS AND GOALS:**

*List State, County, City, USFS, BLM, Tribal, and other zoning or management plans, and identify how they would affect this project.*

This tract is surrounded by private land own by Deep Creek Ranch and Management Co. There are no zoning or other agency management plans affecting these lands.

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**20. ACCESS TO AND QUALITY OF RECREATIONAL AND WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES:**

*Identify any wilderness or recreational areas nearby or access routes through this tract. Determine the effects of the project on recreational potential within the tract. Identify cumulative effects to recreational and wilderness activities.*

Montana FWP commented that "FWP would recommend not disposing of lands that are generally available (accessible) to the recreating public". This tract is surrounded by private land, but legally accessible by Deep Creek (about ½ mile walking distance). Legal access is provided by the Montana Stream Access Law, which allows for public access of streams between high water marks. This tract is not accessible from a county road, highway or any other road. The parcel proposed for sale is not adjacent to other state or public land. If the tract is sold, access to the 160 acres would be controlled by the new landowner. The amount of accessible state land in the immediate vicinity would be reduced by 160 acres if the state parcel were to be sold. Recreational opportunities in this area are limited because large ranches do not allow public access.

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**21. DENSITY AND DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION AND HOUSING:**

*Estimate population changes and additional housing the project would require. Identify cumulative effects to population and housing*

The proposal does not include any changes to housing or developments. The nominating lessee has indicated that the lands would continue as grazing lands, if they purchase them at auction. No effects are anticipated.

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**22. SOCIAL STRUCTURES AND MORES:**

*Identify potential disruption of native or traditional lifestyles or communities.*

There are no native, unique or traditional lifestyles or communities in the vicinity that would be impacted by the proposal.

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**23. CULTURAL UNIQUENESS AND DIVERSITY:**

*How would the action affect any unique quality of the area?*

The State Trust lands in this proposal are currently managed for grazing. The State lands are generally indistinguishable from the adjacent private lands, with no unique quality.

The potential sale of the state land would not directly or cumulatively impact cultural uniqueness or diversity. It is unknown what management activities would take place on the land if ownership was transferred. The tract was nominated by the lessee with the intent of purchasing and continuing use as grazing land.

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**24. OTHER APPROPRIATE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES:**

*Estimate the return to the trust. Include appropriate economic analysis. Identify potential future uses for the analysis area other than existing management. Identify cumulative economic and social effects likely to occur as a result of the proposed action.*

legal	acres	2007 Lease Income	Income per acre
Sec 26	120	\$266.38	\$2.21
Sec 27	40	\$49.07	\$1.23
TOTAL	160	\$315.45	\$1.97

The statewide stocking rate for grazing land on 4.3 million acres averages .26 AUMs per acre or a total of 1.11 million AUMs (2006 DNRC Annual Report). 2006 statewide grazing land gross revenue was \$6.98 million (\$6.99 per AUM) on 4.3 million grazing acres for an average income of \$1.62 per acre (2006 DNRC annual Report). On average, this tract nominated for sale is above the average statewide stocking rate (.28 AUMs / ac) and income for grazing land (\$1.97 / acre).

Private property values along the Rocky Mountain Front have escalated in the recent years and are estimated between \$2,000 and \$5,000 per acre in this immediate area. Although this parcel is land locked, the appraised value will be with in this range. The high market value of this tract and subsequent sale will benefit the Common School trust.

An appraisal of the property value has not been completed to date. Under DNRC rules, an appraisal would be conducted if preliminary approval to proceed is granted by the Board of Land Commissioners. The Department is conducting more detailed evaluations at this time in order to make a determination on whether to offer the tract for sale. The revenue generated from the sale of these parcels would be combined with other revenue in the Land Banking Account to purchase replacement property for the benefit of the Trust. It is anticipated the replacement property would have legal access and be adjacent to other Trust lands which would provide greater management opportunities and income. If replacement property was not purchased prior to the expiration of the statute, the revenue would be deposited into the permanent trust for investment.

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	<b>Title:</b> Conrad Unit Manager, Central Land Office	

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**V. FINDING**

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**25. ALTERNATIVE SELECTED:**

I have selected the Proposed Alternative B, recommend the tract receive preliminary approval for sale and continue with the Land Banking process.

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**26. SIGNIFICANCE OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS:**

I have evaluated the comments received and potential environment affects and have determined significant environmental effects would not result from the proposed land sale. The tract does not have any unique characteristics, critical habitat or environmental conditions indicating the tract should necessarily remain under management by the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. There are no indications the tract would produce substantially greater revenue or have substantially greater value to the trust in the near future.

The 160 acres of State Land considered for sale which is leased by Deep Creek Ranch are completely surrounded by the ranch. The only means of accessing the state land is to walk up the Deep Creek stream bottom within the high water marks. The state lands are located close to the ranch headquarters and home site. There is little recreational value associated with the state lands due to the small acreage, proximity to the residences and extremely steep terrain from the stream bottom to the majority of the state lands. The stream bottom itself will remain accessible under the stream access law.

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**27. NEED FOR FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

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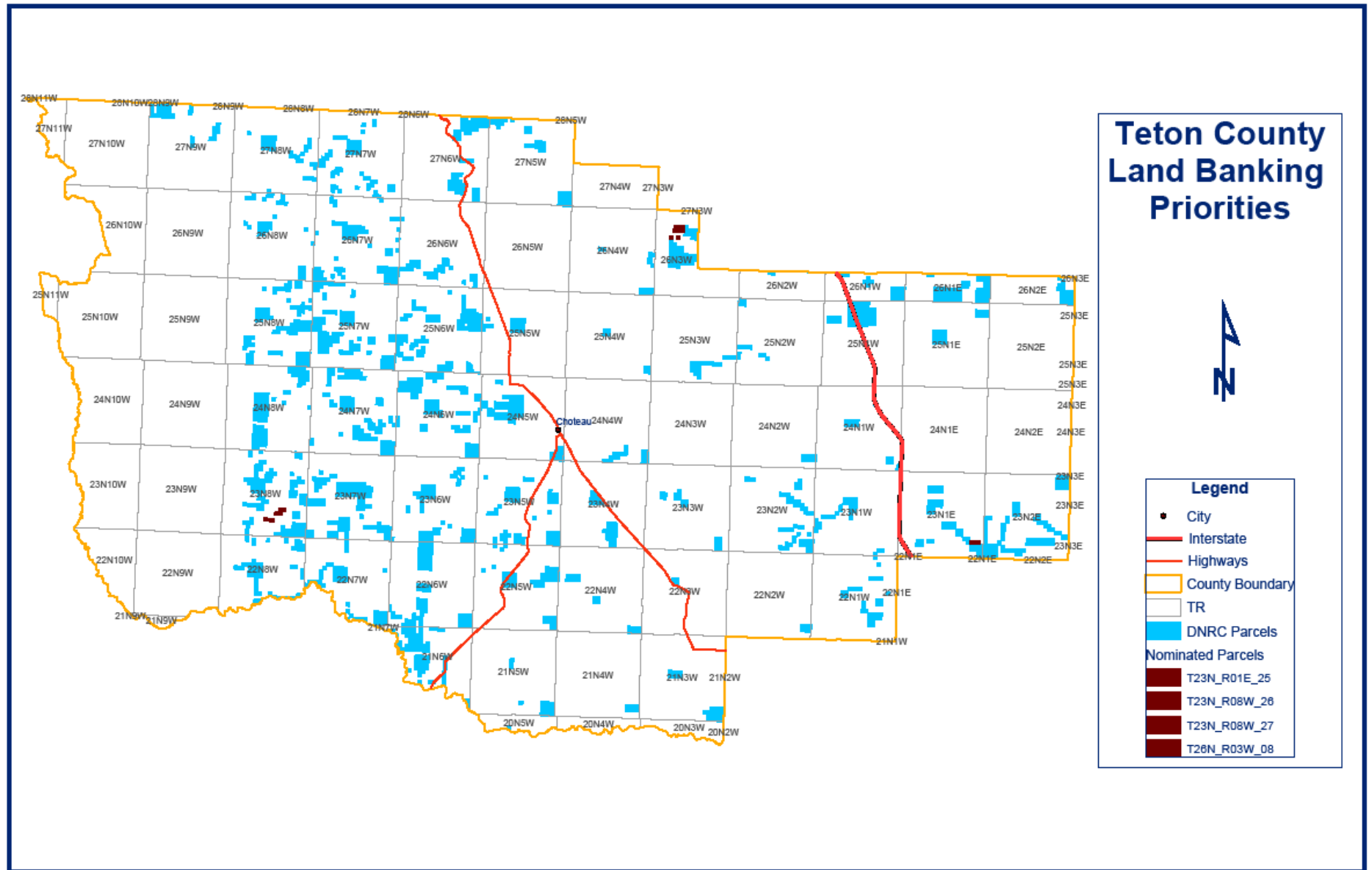
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No Further Analysis

<b>EA Checklist Approved By:</b>	<b>Name:</b> GARRY WILLIAMS
	<b>Title:</b> Area Manager, Central Land Office
<b>Signature:</b> /S/ Garry Williams	
<b>Date:</b> 3/3/2008	







## **Appendix C**

### **Adjacent Land Owners / Lessee's**

Denzer, Allen & Darlene	P.O. Box 937	Conrad, MT 59425
VanHorn, Ruth Dorothy	5456 Patchwood Ct.	Las Vegas, NV 89130-3652
Truchot, Isabelle	11 2nd Ave. SW	Choteau, MT 59422-9295
Burgmaier, John	851 19th Lane NE	Power, MT 59468
Deep Creek Ranch & Mgmt. Co.	c/o James Jackoway	1975 Century Park East-22 fl.
Livestock, Pine Tree	710 20th Road NW	Choteau, MT 59422
Lightner Farms, Inc.	99 E. Nicholas Avenue	Kalispell, MT 59901
Christiaens Bros. Farm, Inc.	2576 Christiaens Road	Valier, MT 59486
Pondera Colony, Inc.	300 Pondera Colony Road	Valier, MT 59486
Angus, Diamond D	1133 Valier Dupuyer Road	Valier, MT 59486
Scheel, Walter	300 Pondera Colony Road	Valier, MT 59486
Sheble Ranch, Inc.	6799 Valier Cut Bank Hwy.	Valier, MT 59486
Tribe, Blackfeet	P.O. Box 850	Browning, MT 59417
Agency, BIA - Blackfeet	P.O. Box 880	Browning, MT 59417
Lear, Jerry	P.O. Box 621	Choteau, MT 59422
Bisnett, Phillip	P.O. Box 150	Dupuyer, MT 59432
Reishus, Don	P.O. Box 136	Dupuyer, MT 59432
Hovland, Elena & Marie	P.O. Box 150	Dupuyer, MT 59432
BLM - Havre Field Office	Drawer 911	Havre, MT 59501
Pugsley Ranches, Inc.	P.O. Box 460	Chester, MT 59522
Wicks, Maureen	5238 Broadhurst Road	Ledger, MT 59456
Buffington, Doug	HC74 Box 59	Ledger, MT 59456
Buffington, Don	HC 74, Box 59	Ledger, MT 59456
Buffington, Norman	DMB 321	Sparks, NV 89441
Hurley, Gordon	Box 63	Ledger, MT 59456
Markuson, Barb	915 N. Marias Avenue	Shelby, MT 59474
Harwood, R.A.	101 Harwood Rd.	Shelby, MT 59474
Farms, Frederickson	P.O. Box 634	Chester, MT 59422
DAM, Inc.	Box 24	Galata, MT 59444
Clark, Charles & Sally	Box 32	Sweetgrass, MT 59484
Clark, Walter	Box 32	Sweetgrass, MT 59484
Ranch, West Butte	Box 32	Sweetgrass, MT 59484
MCR, LLC	Box 716	Shelby, MT 59474
Ratzburg Livestock, LLP	HC Box 21A	Ledger, MT 59456
Fey, Albert	HC 51, Box 270	Galata, MT 59444
Partnership, Anderson/Schulz Fey Family	223 Commons Way	Kalispell, MT 59901-1902
G&S Land & Cattle Co.	P.O. Box 866	Cut Bank, MT 59427
Livestock, Marias River Land &	1137 Adel Road	Cascade, MT 59421
Torgerson, Eric	P.O. Box	Ethridge, MT 59435
DAM, Inc.		
Fenger, Tim	HC 51, Box 19	Galata, MT 59444
Farms, Steve Leck	P.O. Box 95	Galata, MT 59444
Hatch, Logan	718 Ricky Lane	Walla Walla, WA 99362
Smith, Lawrence	1113 1st Street S.	Shelby, MT 59474
Alme, Steve	P.O. Box 486	Shelby, MT 59474
Danielson, Mary	242 Danielson Road	Kevin, MT 59454

Alme, Henry	P.O. Box 486	Shelby, MT 59474
Farms, Klondike Ridge	P.O. Box 326	Sunburst, MT 59482
McDermott, Henry	812 N. Teton Ave.	Shelby, MT 59474
Midboe, Jim	Box 568	Shelby, MT 59474
O'Brien, Gail	139 Ireland CT	Rockwell, TX 75087
Kluth, Inc.	P.O. Box 670	Shelby, MT 59474
Ranch, Willow Ridge	1753 N. Devon Road	Galata, MT 59444
Kincaid, Delbert	8101 Brandywine Pkwy	Brooklyn Park, MN 55444
Smith, Gerald	P.O. Box 31	Galata, MT 59444
Dyrdahl, Jennie	203 E. Granite Avenue	Shelby, MT 59474
Deltana, Inc.	29856 Hwy. 2	Devon, MT 59474
Parsell, Robert	Box 82	Whitlash, MT 59545
Parsell, David	1995 Miners Coulee Road	Whitlash, MT 59545

### **Rule Making Committee / Other Interested Parties**

Hedges, Ann	Montana Environmental Info. Cntr	P.O. Box 1184
Orsell, Bill	Montana Wildlife Federation	P.O. Box 1175
Frasier, Stan	Montana Wildlife Federation	P.O. Box 1174
Vogel, Bob	Montana School Boards Assn.	1 South Montana Avenue
Berube, Daniel	27 Cedar Lake Drive	Butte, MT 59701
Engstedt, Ellen	Montana Wood Products	P.O. Box 1149
Blattie, Harold	Montana Association of Counties	2715 Skyway Drive
The Nature Conservancy	32 S. Ewing	Helena, MT 59460
Atcheson, Sr., Jack	3210 Ottawa	Butte, MT 59701
Ellis, Janet	Montana Audobon Society	P.O. Box 595
Holmgren, Jeanne	DNRC	Box 201601
Taylor, Leslie	MSU Bozeman	P.O. Box 172440
Schlepp, Nancy	Montana Farm Bureau Federation	502 19th, Suite 4
Marxer, Ray	Matador Cattle Company	9500 Blacktail Road
Keller, Rosi	University of Montana	32 Campus Drive
Commissioner, Toole County	226 1st Street South	Shelby, MT 59474
Commissioners, Teton County	110 South Main Street	Choteau, MT 59422
Commissioners, Liberty County	111 First Street E.	Chester, MT 59222
Commissioners, Pondera County	20 4th Avenue SW	Conrad, MT 59425
Representative, Joey Jayne -	House District 15	299 Lumpry Road
Representative, Llew Jones -	House District 27	1102 4th Avenue SW
Senate, Jerry Black -	Senate District 14	445 O'Haire Boulevard
Representative, Rick Ripley -	House District 17	8920 Montana Highway 200
Senate, John Cobb -	Senate District 9	P.O. Box 78
Tribes, Confederated Salish & Kootenai	51383 Highway 93 North	P.O. Box 78
Tribe, Blackfeet	P.O. Box 850	Browning, MT 59417
Senate, Carol Juneau -	Senate District 8	P.O. Box 55
FWP, MT -	Region 4 Office	4600 Giant Springs Road
FWP, MT -	Gary Olson	514 S. Front Street, Suite C
FWP, MT -	Brent Lonner	P.O. Box 488
Nick Morrison	1816 6th Street NW	Great Falls, MT 59404
Fred Banka	P.O. Box 913	Conrad, MT 59425
Patrick Fisher	125 4th Ave SW	Cut Bank, MT 59427
Chub Michels		Dutton, MT
Dan Roark	1402 Benjamin Road	Oilmont, MT 59466