

Project Summary
Rocky Mountains Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit

Project Title: Evaluating the Consequences of a Public Land Grazing Permit Buyout Program

Type of Project: Research

Funding Agency: BLM

Other Partners/Cooperators:

Effective Dates: 4/29/2003 to 5/31/2005

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Investigators and Agency Representative:

Agency:

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Project Abstract:

A Recent proposed policy change by environmental activist is the creation of an option for permit holders to sell their grazing permits so that their allotments are permanently retired. The proposed buyout program intends to remove livestock grazing from public land with the purpose of "improving range health". The proposed program would allow ranchers to voluntarily relinquish their grazing permits to the government in exchange for monetary compensation. The purpose of this project is to provide some vision as to the likely outcomes (good and bad) of the proposed permit buyout program.

Outcomes with Completion Dates:

Final Report: 5/31/05

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