Final decision on Ruby Horsethief Permits, and where to find more information (1/11/12)

Dear Interested Party,

Because you were one of the people who took time to comment during our 2+ year planning process for Ruby-Horsethief camping fees and permits, I wanted to make sure you know that I've signed the final decision, completing the environmental and planning process. I also want to direct you to some places where you can review my decision and find more information. Anticipating the general questions that many of you will have, I have included our news release (which contains the broad details of my decision) at the bottom of this message.

In addition to our news release, here are some web addresses that you can visit to get more information:

- To read the final decision (known as a Decision Record), which includes my rationale for the system I approved, visit: http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/nca/mcnca/what_s_news_.html (The final Environmental Assessment is also available via this link)
- To read the news release and answers to Frequently Asked Questions, go to the "In the Spotlight" section of the following website: http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/gifo.html

The web addresses I reference above are locations where we highlight new information. Over the next several weeks, we will be updating the "Boating" section of our McInnis Canyons NCA website to serve as the one-stop shop for comprehensive information-this is where I will be posting up-to-date detailed information, such as the phone number for the permit system (which will be available starting in March 2012 for May permits).

http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/nca/mcnca/recreation/Boating.html

Please use rubyhorsethief@blm.gov for any correspondence regarding this issue, rather than replying to this email account. In general, if you can direct any questions left unanswered after reading our Frequently Asked questions, to rubyhorsethief@blm.gov, that will help us track issues of broad interest and get additional information out through our website for the benefit of all interested parties.

Thank you again for your time and interest in this project, and for all the energy you put into helping us make this important decision.

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