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Via Regular Mail and Email mgurtler@blm.gov

Dear Miles,

We are in receipt of your Draft Business Plan for BLM Colorado River Valley Field Office Campgrounds and Day Use Sites and appreciate the opportunity to review the proposal. The Eagle County Board of County Commissioners supports access to public lands and recognizes the demands associated with maintaining public campgrounds.

The Draft Business Plan makes a strong case for implementation of a new \$20 per night fee at Catamount, Lyon's Gulch, and Pinball campgrounds along the Colorado River and an increase from \$10 to \$20 per night at Gypsum and Wolcott campground along the Eagle River. We understand the BLM is also contemplating a modest charge of \$4 per person for identified group sites and a \$5 day use fee at the Wolcott Day Use Site. While we would love to have sites remain free, we support your effort to identify reasonable and affordable rates that ensure on-going public access while providing safe and well maintained facilities.

Sincerely,
Eagle County Board of Commissioners

Sincerely,

Jeanne McQueeney

Chair

Jill H. Ryan

Commissioner

Kathy Chandler-Henry

Commissioner