

# **Carbon County WPLI Advisory Committee**

## **Recommendations to the Carbon County Board of Commissioners**

### **Recommendation for Prospect Mountain WSA**

#### **Prospect Mountain Wilderness + North Platte/Black Cat Special Management Area**

**Area Proposed:** Prospect Mountain WSA and the North Platte/Black Cat Special Management Area, boundaries as shown on Map 1

**Designation:** Wilderness within the existing WSA boundary,

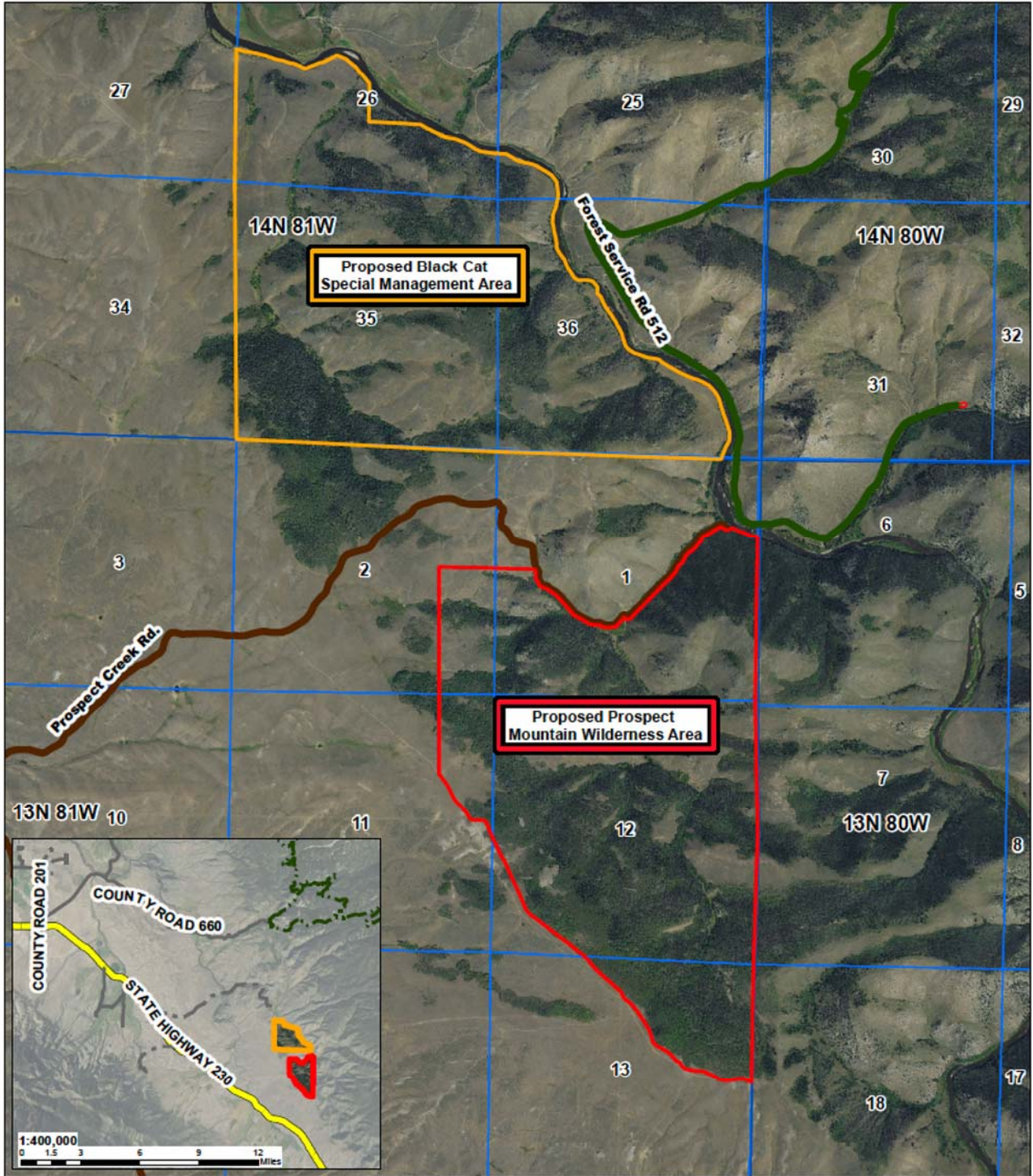
**Management Prescriptions:**

1. Manage area within existing WSA according to the Wilderness Act
2. Provide 100 ft. buffer from the center line of Prospect Road for maintenance
3. Continue grazing according to the Congressional Guidelines as set forth in “Grazing in National Forest Wilderness” in (H.Report 96-617) which shall accompany any act which designates this area as wilderness.
4. The Secretary of Interior is directed to review all policies, practices, and regulations of the Department of Agriculture regarding disease or insect outbreaks, forest fires, and the use of modern suppression methods and equipment in National Forest System components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the State of Wyoming to ensure that –
  - a. Such policies, practices, and regulations fully conform with and implement the intent of Congress regarding forest fire, disease, and insect control, as such intent is expressed in the Wilderness Act and this Act; and
  - b. Policies, practices and regulations are developed that will allow timely, and efficient fire, insect, and disease control, to provide to the extent reasonably practicable, adequate protection of adjacent Federal, State, and private nonwilderness lands from forest fires and disease or insect infestations.

**Designation:** The North Platte/Black Cat Special Management Area, boundaries as shown on map

**Management Prescriptions:**

1. Permit motorized vehicles only for administrative purposes and to respond to an emergency, or to develop/maintain grazing infrastructure
2. Prohibit construction of permanent or temporary roads except to respond an emergency (fires). Temporary roads must be reclaimed to Wyoming BLM policy
3. Continue existing grazing in accordance with applicable law following the Federal Land Policy Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), the Public Rangelands Act of 1978, Taylor Grazing Act of 1934
4. Prohibit commercial timber harvest
5. Prohibit oil and gas, geothermal, coal, and other mineral leasing and new locatable mineral entry under the 1872 Mining Law as amended. Honor all existing valid mining claims
6. Maintain existing fire management
7. Prohibit mountain bikes



**Map 1. Prospect Mountain and Black Cat Proposed Designations**

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- BLM
- FOREST SERVICE

## **Recommendation for Encampment River WSA**

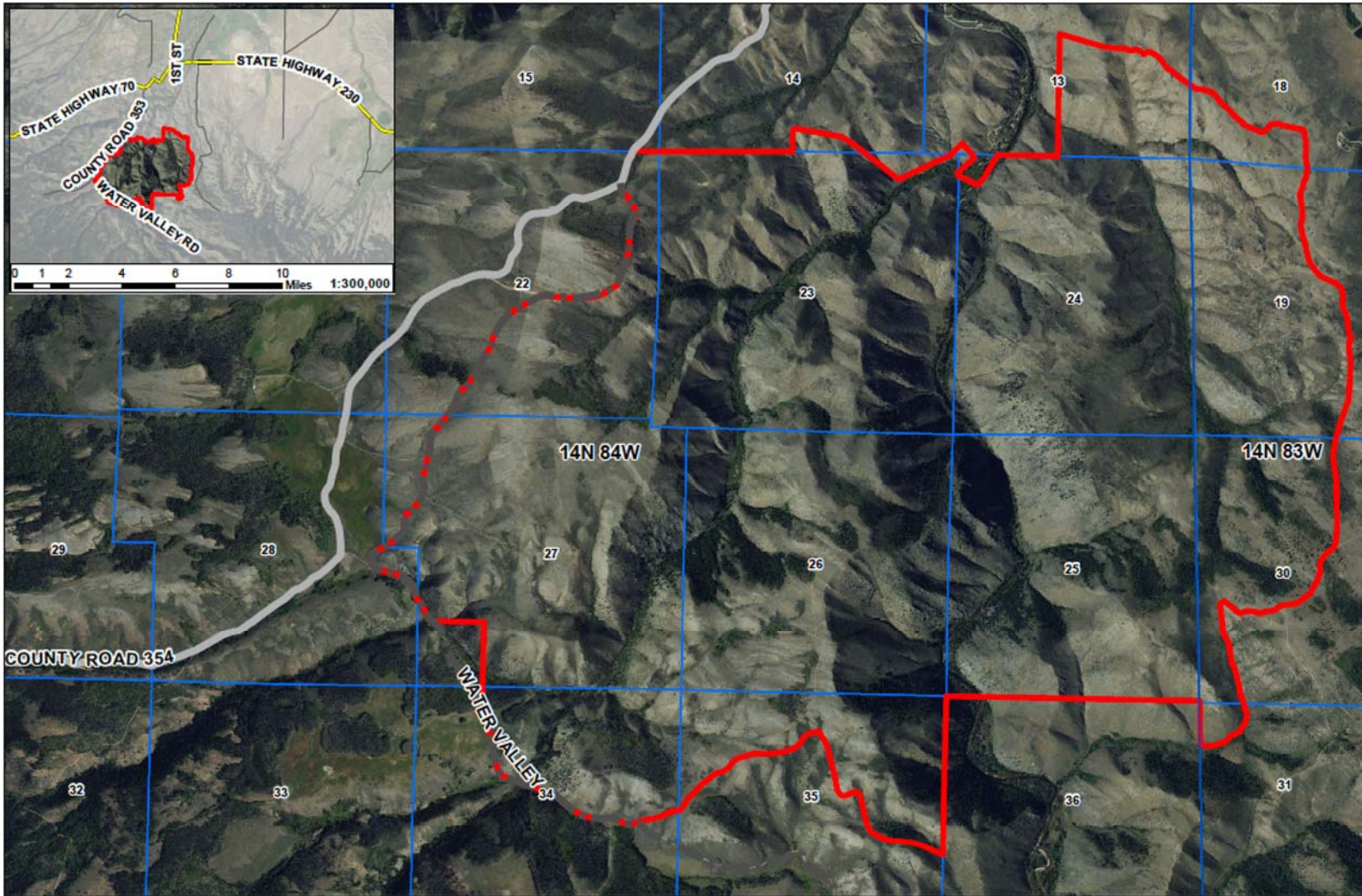
### **Encampment River Canyon Wilderness Area and Wild and Scenic River**

**Area Proposed:** Encampment River Canyon WSA minus 3.88 acres to exclude the Odd Fellows Lodge point of diversion on Miner Creek as shown on Map 2

**Designation:** Encampment River Canyon Wilderness

**Management Prescriptions:**

1. Manage area within existing WSA according to the Wilderness Act
2. Grazing shall continue according to the Congressional Guidelines as set forth in “Grazing in National Forest Wilderness” in (H.Report 96-617) which shall accompany any act which designates this area as wilderness.
3. The Secretary of Interior is directed to review all policies, practices, and regulations of the Department of Agriculture regarding disease or insect outbreaks, forest fires, and the use of modern suppression methods and equipment in National Forest System components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in the State of Wyoming to ensure that –
  - a. Such policies, practices, and regulations fully conform with and implement the intent of Congress regarding forest fire, disease, and insect control, as such intent is expressed in the Wilderness Act and this Act; and
  - c. Policies, practices and regulations are developed that will allow timely, and efficient fire, insect, and disease control, to provide to the extent reasonably practicable, adequate protection of adjacent Federal, State, and private nonwilderness lands from forest fires and disease or insect infestations.
  - b. In addition, there will be established a standing wildfire management plan that provides a quick response should any structures or property, including those at the Odd Fellows Camp, adjacent ranches, or the towns of Encampment and Riverside be threatened by wildfire
4. Provide 100 ft. buffer from the center line of County Road 353 and Water Valley Road for maintenance
5. Nothing in this recommendation shall be construed as a creation, recognition, disclaimer, relinquishment or reduction to any water rights of the State of Wyoming.



**Map 2. Proposed Encampment River Canyon Wilderness Area**  
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- SECTION BOUNDARY

## **Recommendation for Bennett Mountains WSA**

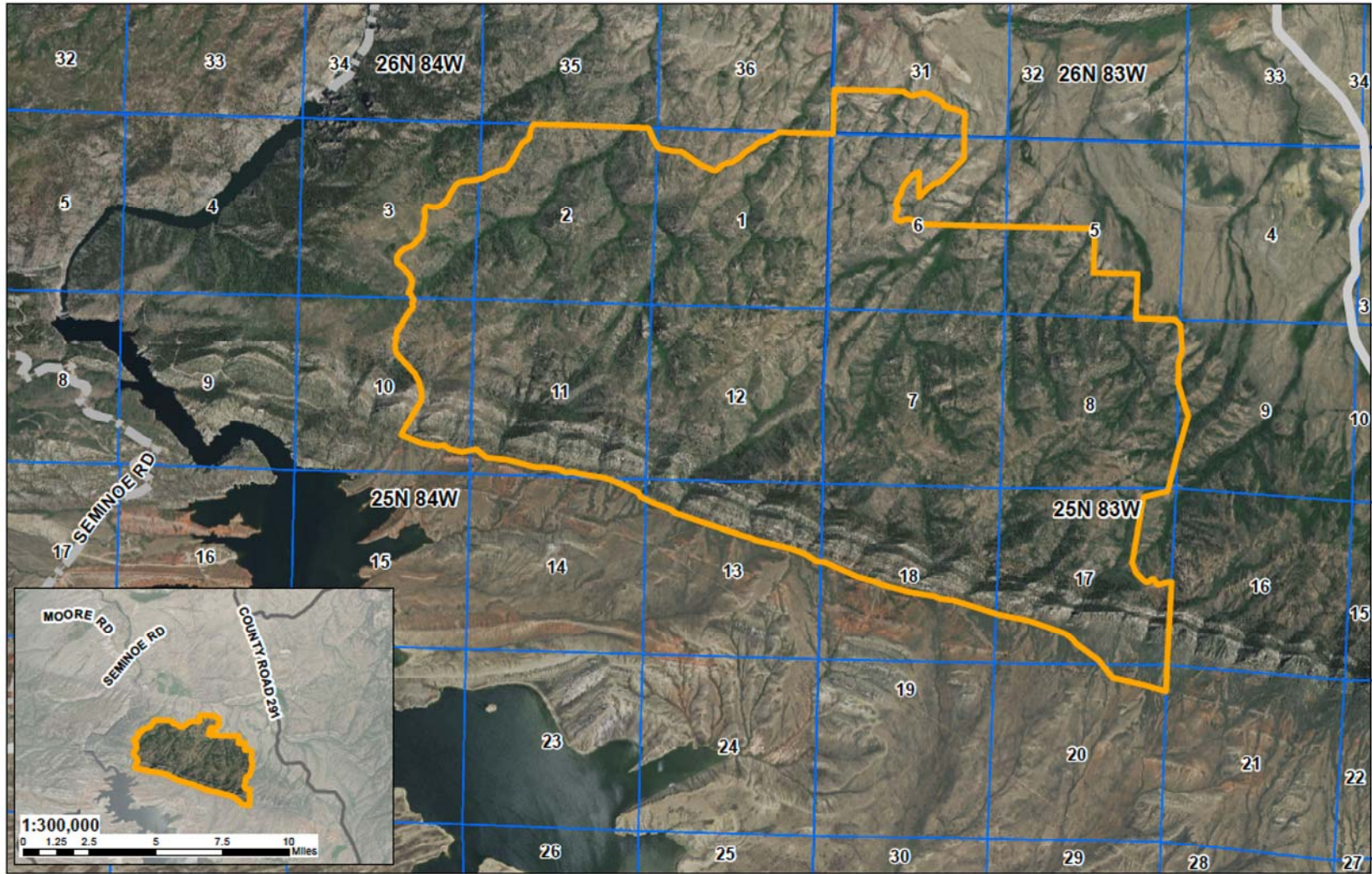
### **Bennett Mountains Special Management Area**

**Area Proposed:** Bennett Mountains WSA

**Designation:** Bennett Mountains Special Management Area

#### **Management Prescriptions:**

1. Permit motorized and mechanized vehicles only on roads and trails designated for motorized and mechanized vehicles, except as needed for administrative purposes and to respond to an emergency, or to develop/maintain grazing infrastructure
2. Prohibit construction of permanent or temporary roads except in response to an emergency (fires). Temporary roads must be reclaimed to Wyoming BLM policy
3. Continue existing grazing in accordance with applicable law following the Federal Land Policy Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), the Public Rangelands Act of 1978, Taylor Grazing Act of 1934
4. Prohibit commercial timber harvest
5. Prohibit oil and gas, geothermal, coal, and other mineral leasing and new locatable mineral entry under the 1872 Mining Law as amended. Honor all existing valid mining claims
6. Maintain existing fire manageme



**Map 3. Proposed Bennett Mountains Special Management Area (SMA)**

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