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Bureau of Land Management  
Attn: PRA Office  
via email at: [BLM\\_HQ\\_PRA\\_Comments@blm.gov](mailto:BLM_HQ_PRA_Comments@blm.gov)

RE: OMB Control Number 1004-0NEW and RIN 1004-AE92  
BLM Proposed rule for Conservation and Landscape Health (88 FR 19583)

Dear Bureau of Land Management:


La Plata County appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposed rule for Conservation and Landscape Health. This proposed rule will promote restoration of lands and waters, provide for balanced, responsible development; and conserve the best intact, healthy landscapes.


La Plata County supports this step towards fostering conservation, ensuring the health of our landscapes, and promoting equity in land management practices. This proposed rule emphasizes landscape health and ecological integrity for safeguarding the long-term sustainability on our natural resources. Incorporating strategies for habitat restoration, wildlife conservation, and sustainable land use practices will balance multiple objectives including the preservation of biodiversity, migration of climate change impacts, and responsible use of public lands for various purposes.

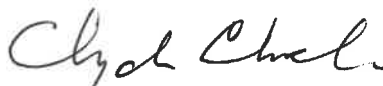
We appreciate that this proposed rule supports efforts to protect and restore public lands; and we emphatically support that the proposed rule clarifies that conservation is a use on par with the multiple uses and sustained yield mission of our public lands under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA).

La Plata County strongly supports this rule and appreciates the opportunity to comment.

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