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This is stronger than wording in the DEIS and is, therefore, acceptable.

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On Mon, Feb 23, 2015 at 3:57 PM, Deibert, Pat <pat_deibert@fws.gov> wrote:

Hello all -

BLM CO and WY has run into a conflict regarding the NPT guidance on land tenure and what they analyzed in their DEISs. The NPT guidance states that sage-grouse habitat will not pass out of Federal ownership. But both of your stated did not analyze that option and allow disposal of sage-grouse habitats. To correct that oversight BLM has proposed that if land tenure/disposal is proposed for WY or CO sage-grouse habitats it can only proceed forward if it is for the benefit of sage-grouse.

Please let Matt Kales (and copy me) if this is acceptable to you or not. IF you have concerns let us know by COB TODAY - Noreen has a call first thing in the morning with BLM.

Thanks!

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