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From: Ryan Beam <RBeam@biologicaldiversity.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 5:07 PM
To: Wayland, Joshua
Subject: Uinta Basin Railway NEPA Public Notice

Hi Mr. Wayland,

I would like to request to be included on any email or other distribution lists that the STB or any third party NEPA contractor might be maintaining for all public notices and associated documents relating to the NEPA process for the Uinta Basin Railway. My contact information can be found below.

Please also include me on the invitation list for any NEPA related meetings, field trips, or other events. As you know, the administrative record for this NEPA process should demonstrate that the process occurred without any bias for or against specific stakeholders or groups of interested people.

Please also provide me and other interested people with the draft purpose and need statement(s) and draft Notice of Intent (NOI) for this NEPA process. This is critically important because NEPA experts know that the purpose and need statement(s) can be too narrow or too broad, and this may skew the NEPA analysis and eject otherwise feasible alternatives from detailed evaluation. Similarly, a NOI may contain subtle biases or limitations that could undermine the objectivity of the NEPA process going forward. It is therefore imperative that the public have an opportunity to provide meaningful input on these drafts before they are finalized.

Please let me know if you cannot fulfill any of the preceding requests and, if so, on what basis. Please also let me know if you have any questions or comments relating to my preceding requests.

I look forward to participating in your forthcoming NEPA process.

Thank you very much for your consideration,
Ryan

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