

Appendix C

Public Involvement Summary

The process began in the spring of 1998 in two ways: 1} with a shared concern between the Citizens Task Force Members and the AHRA Managers over new issues needing to be resolved or addressed for the AHRA; and 2} with the direction in the existing river plan suggesting that after ten years the plan be revisited for potential updating or revising. In the summer and early Fall of 1998 various public notices, announcements, informal briefings, etc. were carried out by the AHRA Managers to begin discerning what those potential issues were. The chart on the following pages give a summary level of information to provide an understanding of the River Management Plan Process that was developed and followed so that a revised plan would be in place by January of 2001. See Chapter 5 for other related information on the draft plan review comments and responses. If more details are desired on the public record of this planning process, the persons/agencies/entities contacted, or any other details, can be obtained by visiting the AHRA office and reviewing the record.

Arkansas River Recreation Management Plan Revision Process

January 2001

Step	Time	Process Description	Responsibility
#1 Plan Issue Development	Aug > Oct 98	<p style="text-align: center;">Carry Out Notification & Begin Collecting Public Scoping Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do public notices * Begin holding informal meetings to solicit public issues of concern [CTF Regular Sept Meeting] [Informal Meetings/Briefings] [News Releases & FR notice] 	AHRA Staff & CTF Members
	Nov 98	<p style="text-align: center;">Develop Initial Plan Issues & Plan Process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Develop initial plan issues with formative descriptions * Do initial categorization * Set up issue workshops * Set up plan revision process steps [News Releases out] 	AHRA Staff
	Nov 98 > Dec 98	<p style="text-align: center;">Carry Out collection Of Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Collect public scoping comments * Do a finalization of plan issues to be addressed in the issue workshops * Do final categorization of issues into groupings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Meet with CTF [Public Scoping Meetings] [CTF Regular Nov Meeting] 	AHRA Staff & CTF Members {+ Retreat Committee Organized}

#2 Plan Revision Development	Jan 99 > Mar 99	Begin The Development Of Plan Revision: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Develop AHRA 2010 Vision Statement * Assess the potential changes to area wide multiple use goals, the area wide recreation goals and segment-specific recreation management objectives * Work through the 90+ categorized collected river plan issues....determine if they need to be addressed * Do write-ups or any clarifications on how to address issues to be addressed in the plan revision {using sub-work groups in between the workshops as needed!} [Hold Nine Public Plan Workshops]	AHRA Staff & CTF Members {+ any public attendees who join up}
	Apr 99	Share Revision Process: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do attendance & presentation at Ark River Watershed Forum in Canon City [April 23 & 24] 	AHRA Staff & CTF Members
		Carry Out CTF/AHRA Staff/Agency Retreat: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Check our progress in the plan revision process since Aug 98...has it worked? * Re-look at our plan revision five step process....will it work? * Clarify retreat purpose & define those end products of the retreat! * Prioritize those desired end products! * Get at it....produce those end products! <i>Vision statement for 2010 , Plan preamble, Plan objective changes as needed,</i> <i>Finalize issues to be addressed in the plan revision in priority order, then provide guidance/direction to AHRA managers and/or a Plan/SEA working committee to build the rough draft plan revision</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Consider organizing a CTF/AHRA Plan/Supplemental Environmental Assessment [SEA] Committee [April 28 & 29 Retreat]	AHRA Staff, Agency Staff & CTF Members

	<p>May > Sept 99</p>	<p>Produce A Rough First Draft Plan Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Develop a first rough draft plan revision {a first cut ...initial preferred alternative....a proposal}...based on the retreat products....i.e. agreements, guidance, direction, etc. * Share this rough draft informally with CTF Members, AHRA Staff + Agency Ex-Officio Members * Obtain comments/suggestions/rewrites, etc. at our August CTF meeting [Late Sept Mailing of 1st rough cut informal preferred alternative] [CTF MeetingLate September] 	<p>AHRA Staff</p>
<p>#3 Draft Plan Environmental Assessment</p>	<p>Oct 99 > Feb 2000</p>	<p>Produce Draft Plan Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * A CTF Plan Revision draft is prepared * Carry out internal review { CTF Members, Agency Ex-Official Members, AHRA Staff & Field Office Staff + Carry out briefings for the Colorado State Parks Board & BLM Leadership} * Finalize at a CTF meeting [Internal mailings go out & briefings are done] [Regular Jan CTF Mtg & Workshop] 	<p>Field Office Staff, AHRA Staff & CTF</p>
	<p>Mar 3 > Apr 15 2000</p>	<p>Agency Review Of CTF Plan Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * BLM/Parks Staff provide internal review of plan revision {Chap 2}....& feed back their critical issues/concerns to AHRA Managers 	<p>Agency Staff</p>
	<p>Mar 3 > Sept 8 2000</p>	<p>BLM Prepares Affected Environment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * BLM Inter-disciplinary team prepares updated Affected Environment chapter {Chap 3}! 	<p>BLM Field Office Staff</p>
	<p>May 26 > July 28 2000</p>	<p>Consult W/CTF On Plan Revision:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * AHRA Managers finalize the plan revision {Chap 2} & feed back to the interdisciplinary team for their preparation of the EA not later than late July!! [Regular May CTF Mtg & Workshop] 	<p>AHRA Managers & CTF</p>
	<p>Jun 9 > Sept 8 2000</p>	<p>Develop Supplemental EA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * A Supplemental Environmental Assessment [SEA] ...{which is Chap 4} prepared on the Plan Revision ...{which is Chap 2} using the completed Affected Environment...{which is Chap 3} not later than early September! 	<p>BLM Field Office Staff</p>

	Sep 8> Oct 20 2000	<p align="center">Obtain Public Comment:</p> <p>* Copy the complete Arkansas River Recreation Management Plan Revision/Supplemental Environmental Assessment & get mailed out for general public review {to include mailing to all scoping & issue workshop participants + briefings for CTF Members, BIM Leadership, Colorado State Park Management Team & Park Board}</p> <p>* Do collection of comments on this ARRMP/SEA document!</p> <p align="center">[Regular Fall CTF Mtg] [Public Notices Go Out....News Releases] [Mailings of Draft Plan Revision/SEA Go Out] [Public Comment Workshops]</p>	Field Office Staff, AHRA Staff & CTF
#4 Final Plan Environmental Assessment	Oct>Nov 2000	<p align="center">Respond to Comments:</p> <p>* Write responses to documented comments received!</p> <p>* Change Plan Revision/Supplemental Environmental Assessment as needed w/CTF</p>	Field Office Staff, AHRA Staff & CTF
	Nov> Dec 2000	<p align="center">Do Final Review:</p> <p>* Carry out review of Plan Revision/SEA + final review by Field Office Staff, CTF Members, AHRA Staff & Agency Ex-Official Members {to include mailing to CTF + briefings for BIM Leadership & the Colorado State Parks Board}</p> <p align="center">[State Park Briefing] [Mail out internal final review copies]</p>	Field Office Staff & AHRA Staff + Agency Ex-Official Members & CTF
	Dec 2000/	<p align="center">Fix Final Plan/SEA:</p> <p>* Make final text changes or modifications</p> <p>* Do graphics, maps, etc. to get a camera ready version for plan signing</p>	AHRA Staff
#5 Final Plan Completion	Jan 2001	<p align="center">Do Formal Adoption Of The Plan & Signing Of The SEA Decision Record:</p> <p>* Have agencies Ex-Officio members, AHRA Staff, CTF members, agency managers, etc....do formal signing of final plan revision {including the amended CMA & the SEA Decision Record}</p> <p align="center">[State Park Board Meeting] [CTF & Agency Meeting]</p>	Field Office & Parks Regional Managers, BLM River & Park Managers of AHRA & CTF Members + other agency reps as desired
	Feb 2001	<p align="center">Publish & Disseminate Final Plan:</p> <p>* Carry out publishing/ mailing of final management plan CMA!</p>	AHRA Staff

