WCFP Forest Keeper's Public Comment Guide

Turning Concern Into Comments the BLM Can Hear

People comment because they care about the land.
BLM decisions, however, are made based on evidence, impacts, and specific changes to a proposal.

If you want your voice to shape what happens on the ground, connect your concern to a place, a resource, a possible impact, and a clear solution.

WCFP's Forest Keeper Formula

CARE → WHERE → RESOURCE → IMPACT → FIX

- **CARE/CONCERN**
  Why you are concerned about the area.
- **WHERE**
  Point to a specific place in the project (unit, road, trail, creek, map, page number).
- **RESOURCE**
  Name the thing at risk (water, wildlife, trails, quiet recreation, cultural sites, etc.)
- **IMPACT**
  Explain what could happen and why it matters.
- **FIX**
  Ask for a specific change or improvement.

Quick Comment Template

I am concerned about this area because _____.
In _____ (unit/road/creek/map/page), the project states _____.
This area includes _____ (resource).
This matters because _____ (impact).
Please revise the project by _____ (specific fix or condition).

Comment Examples:

Resource Concern

I care about this area because my family hikes here regularly. In Unit 12 near the trail shown on Map 3, the project proposes thinning along the trail corridor. This area is heavily used by hikers. This could reduce shade and change the trail experience. Please revise the project to retain canopy along the trail and limit operations near the trailhead.

Water Concern

I care about this area because local creeks feed downstream communities. In Unit 8 near the seasonal creek on Map 4, equipment operations are proposed. This area includes wet soils and a drainage flowing to the creek. This could increase sediment during storms. Please analyze this drainage and add buffers or seasonal restrictions for equipment use.

Take Action

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Your job isn't to be loud. Your job is to be clear and specific so decision-makers can act.