

## Meeting/Telephone Conference Record

**Date** 9/6/05                      **Time** 11:45am  
**DOE ID Number** 61514                      **Location Address** 2597 B3/4 Rd; Bldg 938; Rm 247  
**Between** Ron Lambeth                      **of** BLM, Grand Junction                      **Phone** 970-244-3013  
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### Subject:

Species of concern and habitat issues for Uranium Lease Management Program EA draft

### Summary:

- Outlaw and Calamity Mesas contain pinon-juniper habitat; canyons and flat mesas
- Plants of concern: Astragalus naturitensis; Astragalus rafaensis; also, Pedimelum aromaticum occurs north of Unawep Canyon and has a small potential to occur in the area
- Activities may disturb excellent quality habitat (p/j)
- Mammals: Townsend's big-eared bat, fringed myotis, and spotted bats (all BLM sensitive); winter range for mule deer and elk; not critical range, but access to sites may pass through critical range, which lies to the north and the south of Calamity Mesa, particularly for deer.
- Birds: bald eagles occur in the area, but they wouldn't be expected to make appreciable use of the habitat on the lease tracts; foraging area for the Northern goshawk, but no appreciable affect because not a nesting area; sage grouse have no habitat in the area
- **Fish: water depletion and/or toxic discharges may affect 4 species of endangered Colorado River fish downstream (pike minnow, razorback chub, humpback chub, bonytail chub) and three species of sensitive fish (roundtail chub, flannelmouth sucker and bluemouth sucker). Non-sensitive fish, rainbow trout, may be affected in the area and downstream.**
- Reptiles: Midget faded rattlesnakes (BLM sensitive) can be expected to occur in abandoned mines or other structures.
- No insects occur in area

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**Follow-Up Action Required:**

Include comments and concerns in EA

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