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Re: Draft Bears Ears Monument Management Plan

Dear Jared and Michael:

We understand that the Draft Bears Ears Monument Plan, originally scheduled for release to the public in November, 2023, is still being revised and that these revisions may be substantive. We are concerned that substantive changes made without coordination with local governments and cooperating agencies could lead to consistency issues with local government plans and would be inconsistent with coordination required by law.

Therefore, we request you hold a meeting with the Cooperating Agencies prior to the release of the Draft to the public. Hopefully this would allow for meaningful consultation and coordination of any changes being made to the Plan and help maximize consistency with local plans.

We appreciate your attention to our concerns and look forward to scheduling a meeting.

Sincerely,

Jamie Harvey Chairman

cc: Ryan Nehl, USFS Nicollee Gaddis-Wyatt, BLM Jacob Palma, BLM Redge Johnson, PLPCO