Greater Little Mountain Area of Wyoming

The Greater Little Mountain Coalition is a group of sportsmen and sportswomen organizations and concerned citizens who want to see the Greater Little Mountain Area's rugged and sensitive landscape continue to support abundant, healthy fish and wildlife populations, including Colorado River cutthroat trout, other sensitive species and provide ample recreation opportunities. The Coalition established in 2008 in response to oil and gas leasing interests in the area.

BACKGROUND: This unique high desert

habitat region is considered by biologists and resource managers to be some of the most sensitive fish and wildlife habitat in Wyoming. Since 1990, the Little Mountain region has benefited from over \$2.8 million in habitat restoration and enhancement projects funded by various state and federal agencies, conservation

Area location

Wyoming

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organizations and private individuals. Elk, mule deer, moose, Colorado River cutthroat trout and sage grouse have been many of the numerous benefactors of these projects.

OUR GOAL:

To seek long-term protection of vital fish and wildlife habitats and angling and hunting opportunities in the Greater Little Mountain Area now and for generations to come.

PARTNERS:

Bowhunters of Wyoming, **Muley Fanatic Foundation**, Steelworkers Union 13214, **Southwest Labor Council**, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership, **Trout Unlimited** and Wyoming Wildlife Federation

Help us protect this recreational paradise.

ACREAGE:

Total acreage of Greater Little Mountain Area = **522,236** acres of federal and state lands.

The Greater Little Mountain Area = 14% of the entire BLM Rock Springs Field Office.

LOCATION:

Located in southwestern Wyoming, about 30 miles south of the town of Rock Springs, elevation ranges from **6,040 feet** at Flaming Gorge Reservoir to **9,060 feet** at the top of Little Mountain.

The area supports populations of elk, mule deer, moose and antelope. Known by locals and non-residents alike for its highly coveted limited quota big game licenses, it remains one of the best hunting areas in Wyoming.

Home to **37 terrestrial species identified** in the Wyoming Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy as "species of greatest conservation need."

Healthy Greater sage-grouse populations inhabit the GLMA with swaths of acreage under the Wyoming Core Area Habitat designation. This high desert ecosystem also includes streams that provide great trout fisheries for the sensitive Colorado River cutthroat trout (CRCT).

More than **130** miles of stream habitat for CRCT (critical and reintroduction habitat) occurs within the GLMA.

Six streams host native, conservation populations of CRCT – Currant Creek, Gooseberry Creek, Little Red Creek, Red Creek, Trout Creek and Upper Sage Creek.

Colorado River cutthroat trout is a **sensitive species** recognized by the Conservation Agreement for Colorado River

Greater Red Creek Area of Critical Environmental Concern (includes Currant Creek, Sage Creek and Red Creek)

131,890 ACRES

cutthroat signed by the Wyoming BLM, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, US Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management and Wyoming Trout Unlimited with a goal, "To assure the long-term viability of CRCT throughout their history range."

Red Creek has one of the **purest** genetic **strains** of Colorado River cutthroat trout.

Midget faded rattle snake is an **extremely rare** reptile found only in the Flaming Gorge region.

ECONOMICS:

More than **15,000 fishing licenses** sold annually in Sweetwater County.

Anglers in Sweetwater County spent **\$48.4** million in the last 5 years. Big game hunters in GLMA spent **\$12.7** million in the last 5 years.

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Sugarloaf Basin Special Management Area **85,880 ACRES** Pine Mountain Special Management Area 64,200 ACRES

