

# The Utah Utardian

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## **BLM TO IMPROVE RIVER CANYON**

The Grand Junction, Colorado Bureau of Land Management is unveiling its new plan to vastly improve Horsethief and Ruby Canyons. An unidentified BLM spokesperson stated to *The Utardian* that: “we are good at counting money, shuffling paper and issuing incomplete E.A’s. To Oil and gas companies. Now we’d like to try and combine two of our three strong suits to be more like the Moab BLM.

The new plan bases fees on places like the San Juan River, Desolation Canyon and the Empire State Building. The fees will be used to modify Ruby and Horsethief Canyons to replicate all three sites. The canyon walls will be built higher and more vertical like the San Juan; new rapids will be constructed as in Desolation Canyon and windows will be inserted along the Kokopeli Trail so that bikers will be able to view (for fee) the newest river wonder. BLM Ranger Matt said: “Maybe we can also get them sheets to cover the river like they’re doing on the Arkansas River.”

The BLM plan includes a proposal for a state line check station. Only 3.2 beer purchased in Utah will be allowed past the state line. Beer purchased out of Utah and beer exceeding 3.2 alcohol will be confiscated and provided to the homeless.

When asked why the Moab office couldn’t manage the section of river, a spokesperson said “haaarumph. It’s in another Blm District. They already know how to count money and shuffle paper.

## **VERNAL/PRICE BLM TO PROTECT MARINE MAMMALS**

BLM District Manager Bill Stringer recently announced that the Vernal Price oil and gas lease Environmental Assessments will provide protection for marine mammals including walruses, whales, seals and baby neoprenes.

Stringer said: “these potentially endangered mammals are a priceless part of our desert ecology and we will demand that the oil and gas companies provide for their protection just as was planned in the Gulf of Mexico.

## **DINOSAUR MONUMENT TO INITIATE NEW PATROLS**

The National Park Service recently unveiled a plan to use midget submarines to patrol the Yampa and Green River. The use of midgets is a first for the agency, and will be a feather in their EO hiring. The submarines, not yet fully developed, will provide a degree of stealth to enforce Monument regulations. They will be relatively inexpensive a spokesman said, “we are using duct tape to attach fifty gallon drums. We have not yet solved the problem of water leaking in through the oar holes.”

## **RECORD AT CANYONLANDS**

Canyonlands recently set a record for the most Park uniforms purchased in a month.