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Chapter 3. Management Area Direction

Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area, Page 69

I recommend adding the following Standards based on language from the Flaming Gorge NRA establishment act (PL 90-540-Oct. 1, 1968.
DA-ST-FGNRA-01 "The administration, protection, and development of the FGNRA shall be in such manner as will best provide for:
a.public outdoor recreation benefits
b.conservation of scenic values
c.conservation of scientific values
d.conservation of historic values
e.conservation of other values contributing to public enjoyment"

DA-ST-FGNRA-02 "The management, utilization, and disposal of natural resources will promote or are compatible with the public outdoor recreation use and enjoyment of the FGNRA and the conservation of scenic, scientific, historic, and other values contributing to the public enjoyment of the FGNRA."

DA-ST-FGNRA-03 "The management, utilization, and disposal of natural resources do not significantly impair the public outdoor recreation use and enjoyment of the FGNRA and the conservation of scenic, scientific, historic, and other values contributing to the public enjoyment of the FGNRA."

DA-GL-FGNRA, Page 69
I recommend adding the following guidelines for the Flaming Gorge NRA.:

"04 Livestock grazing will not authorized in Destination Recreation Areas during high visitor use periods.
"05 Livestock grazing will not be authorized on highways or highway corridors within the FGNRA to ensure public enjoyment and safety."

Proposed Ashley Karst National Recreation and Geologic Area, Page 71,

I recommend adding the following plan components to this section.

Desired Conditions (based on language from the legislation)
(1) The watershed, geological, recreational, wildlife, scenic, natural, cultural, and historic resources of the Ashley Karst National Recreation and Geologic Area (AKNRGA) are conserved and protected.

Standards (based on language from the legislation)
(1) Only allow uses within the AKNRGA that would:
a.promote the long-term protection and management of the watershed and underground karst system;
b.conserve and protect the geological resources,

c.conserve and protect the recreational resources,
d.conserve and protect the wildlife resources,
e.conserve and protect the scenic resources,
f.conserve and protect the natural resources,
g.conserve and protect the cultural resources,
h.conserve and protect the historic resources.

(2) No new permanent or temporary roads or other motorized vehicle routes shall be constructed within the AKNRGA.