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The Owens River Headwaters draft plan:

- \* Must analyze current and projected groundwater extraction from the watersheds of Deadman, Glass and Dry Creeks.
- \* Should also include the realistic impacts of climate change and chronic drought in identifying potential flow impacts on the WSR.
- \* Should provide more information on potential water pollution sources and propose actions to resolve the accompanying water quality problem.
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- \* Needs to be revised to incorporate recreational use data over multiple years.
- \* Should also include management actions that protect the river corridor from water contamination, activities that contribute to erosion, sedimentation, and riparian vegetation loss.
- \* Should incorporate an annual monitoring plan.

The Cottonwood Creek draft plan:

- \* Should add recreation as an Outstanding Remarkable Value for fishing, hiking, camping, hunting, and other possibilities for recreation that Cottonwood Creek provides.
- \* Needs to add Geology as an Outstanding Remarkable Value due to the presence of many important and unique geological features.
- \* Should recognize the eligible tributaries of Cottonwood, as they contribute to its Outstanding Remarkable Values.
- \* Should recommend the present options for permanently retiring the Cottonwood Creek grazing allotment to protect the Outstanding Remarkable Values of botany, fisheries, and wildlife.
- \* Should incorporate an annual monitoring plan.