

See Bighorn Sheep near Moab

Bighorn Sheep Festival set for Nov. 14 and 15

November is the best time of the year to see desert bighorn sheep. It's their rutting (breeding) season, and the time of year when rams engage in head-butting and other rituals to attract the attention of the ladies (female sheep called ewes).



"The antics of the rams makes for some exciting public viewing," says Brent Stettler, regional conservation outreach manager for the Division of Wildlife Resources.

That's why Stettler and other DWR staff have chosen Nov. 14 and 15 as the dates for this year's Bighorn Sheep Festival.

The festival will be held in and near Moab in sunny southeastern Utah.

The event is free. The DWR encourages everyone to attend.

What to bring

When you come to the event, plan on bringing a pair of binoculars or a spotting scope along with snacks, drinks and a camera.

DWR biologists will watch the sheep before the event. They'll be ready to guide you to locations where the bighorns have been recently observed.

If you don't have your own binoculars or a spotting scope, or a vehicle that will get you where the sheep are, don't worry: the biologists have extra spotting scopes and binoculars you can use. They also have several large four-wheel-drive vehicles that they'll use to get you where the sheep are.

Nov. 14 learn about the sheep

The festival begins on Friday evening, Nov. 14, at the Moab Information Center. The center is at the corner of Center and Main streets in Moab.

At 7 p.m., Bill Bates, regional supervisor for the DWR, will present a PowerPoint program about bighorn sheep ecology and their life history. Bates studied desert bighorn sheep in the Moab area for his Master's Degree thesis.

Bates will also have some bighorn sheep skulls and horns you can see and handle, and he'll be available to answer any questions you have.

Nov. 15 see the sheep!

The fun really gets rolling on the morning of Nov. 15.

At 8 a.m., DWR biologists and festivalgoers will meet again at the Moab information Center. Biologists will divide everyone into groups. Then the groups will travel to various areas near Moab in search of desert bighorn sheep.

If you bring your own vehicle, you can leave the group at any time. If you ride in a vehicle with one of the DWR biologists, plan on the field trip ending by noon or early afternoon.

Latest quagga and zebra mussel results

DWR continues work to protect Utah from devastating mussels



The propeller on this boat motor at Lake Mead is covered with quagga mussels. Mussels can do severe damage to boats, requiring costly repairs. *Photo by Natalie Muth*

Better safe than sorry.

That's the approach the Division of Wildlife Resources and its partners are taking as they continue to work aggressively and diligently to keep quagga and zebra mussels out of Utah.

It's also the reason they're reacting the way they are to conflicting quagga and zebra test results they've received for several waters in Utah.

The tests help biologists determine whether veligers — a microscopic, early-stage form of the quagga and zebra mussel — are in various waters.

Electric Lake, the Colorado River near Moab, Red Fleet Reservoir and Lake Powell are the four waters the DWR has received conflicting results for.

"We're not surprised about the conflicting results. We're using methods that are on the cutting edge of science," says Larry Dalton, aquatic invasive species coordinator for the DWR.

"Under a microscope, what looks like a microscopic veliger may not turn out to be one when its DNA is tested. And DNA science is not as straightforward and predictive as television would lead you to believe."

Better safe than sorry

Dalton says even though the DWR isn't sure the suspect waters have mussels in them, biologists are not taking any chances. "We're going to watch these waters even more closely," he says. "In

addition to contacting boaters as they visit the waters, we'll also ask them to decontaminate their boats as they leave."

Dalton says boat owners can decontaminate their boats themselves by cleaning and draining as soon as they leave the water, and then allowing it to dry when they get home. "Or we can do it for them using special decontamination units," he says. "These units spray water that's 140 degrees hot. This scalding-hot water kills the mussels immediately."

Decontamination units are usually at or near Utah's most popular boating waters. There is no cost to get your boat decontaminated.

Testing this summer

DWR biologists and the agency's partners collected 54 water samples across Utah this past summer and early fall. The samples were sent to three laboratories in Colorado. Test results are starting to come back.

Conflicting results

The DWR has received conflicting results from samples taken at Red Fleet Reservoir in northeastern Utah, Electric Lake in southeastern Utah and the stretch of the Colorado River near Moab.

Work done under a microscope at one laboratory, and DNA test results from a second lab, indicated the samples contained veligers. But DNA results from a third lab said the samples did not contain veligers.

At two additional waters in northeastern Utah, Pelican Lake and Midview Reservoir, work done under a microscope at one lab indicated that both waters had veligers. But DNA tests at both the second and third labs indicated the waters did not have veligers in them.

Additional DNA testing is taking place at both waters. In the meantime, Midview Reservoir, which is on Ute tribal land, was closed to boating by the Ute tribe. For more information about boating and fishing at Midview and Bottle Hollow reservoirs, call (435) 722-5511.

"Lake Powell is another water we're concerned about," Dalton says. "It's a popular boating water and receives boaters from all across the West. Many of those boaters arrive from nearby waters, such as Lake Pleasant, Lake Havasu and Lake Mead. All three of these waters have quagga mussels in them."

Quagga and zebra mussels were not found in Lake Powell this summer, but conflicting microscope and DNA test results did occur in 2007.

Because the lake faces so many threats from mussels, DWR and National Park Service personnel at the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area will ramp up their already intense efforts to manage boaters and the mussel threat.

"Now that quagga and zebra mussels have been confirmed in the Colorado River's headwaters, and quagga mussels might be in the Colorado River near Moab, the threat to Lake Powell has increased again."

More results in summer 2009

Dalton says the DWR and its partners will continue to educate boaters about quagga and zebra mussels. They'll also advise boaters to routinely decontaminate their boats every time they leave any water in the state.

Biologists will also take more water samples in 2009. Because quagga and zebra mussels breed in the summer, that's the best time to sample for them.

"This past summer was our first year of sampling," Dalton says. "We'll do even more sampling next summer. Sampling is our best tool for early detection. Although the results can be confusing, it's the best information we have about whether or not we have quagga and zebra mussels in Utah."

DWR praises foresight and partners

As DWR biologists wrap up their first season of sampling, Dalton praised Utah state government officials, the National Park Service and the DWR's partners for joining together to form Utah's Aquatic Invasive Species Task Force.

"Gov. Huntsman and the Utah Legislature realize how serious this threat is to the state of Utah, and they've already provided \$2.5 million to fight it," Dalton says. "Without their support and funding, none of the work we did this year would have happened."

Dalton also praised National Park Service personnel at the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area.

"They've been fantastic to work with," Dalton says. "They know the serious threat mussels pose to Lake Powell. They've been a leader and have stood shoulder to shoulder with us in protecting the lake."

"That, in turn, helps protect all of Utah's waters. Twenty nine percent of Utah's boaters visit Lake Powell every year."

Serious threat

Quagga and zebra mussels are a serious threat to Utah. They can:

- Jeopardize essential power and water infrastructures
- Destroy recreation areas and equipment
- Severely damage ecosystems, displacing native and sport fish species
- Cost millions of dollars to control

More information about Driessena mussels is available at www.wildlife.utah.gov/news/07-03/quagga.php.

Apply for a 2009 Sportsman permit

Applications for Utah's most prized hunting permits accepted soon

A Utah bighorn sheep.

Division of Wildlife Resources photo

Applications for next year's most prized Utah hunting permits, the 2009 sportsman permits, will be available by Nov. 3.

Only Utah residents may apply for sportsman permits. One sportsman permit is offered for each of the following species: Desert bighorn ram, Rocky Mountain bighorn ram, buck deer, buck pronghorn, bull elk, bull moose, hunter's choice bison, hunter's choice Rocky Mountain goat, black bear, cougar, sandhill crane and wild turkey.

If you draw a sportsman permit, the dates you can hunt vary, but in most cases they're longer than the regular season dates. You can also hunt on almost any unit in Utah that's open to hunting the species you drew a permit for.

Highly prized

"Sportsman permits are highly prized," says Judi Tutorow, wildlife licensing coordinator for the Division of Wildlife Resources. "If you're one of the lucky hunters who draw one, you'll have plenty of days and plenty of areas to hunt."

You can apply for a sportsman permit starting Nov. 3 at www.wildlife.utah.gov. Applications must be submitted no later than 11 p.m. on Nov. 17 to be entered in the draw for permits.

If you need help completing your application, please call (801) 538-4700 no later than 6 p.m. on Nov. 17.

Draw results will be posted by Dec. 8. If you draw a permit, you'll also receive a letter in the mail. "Not many hunters draw these permits," Tutorow says. "If you receive a letter in the mail, I wouldn't be surprised if you framed it!"

Cougar permits available soon

If you want to hunt cougars in Utah this season, but you didn't draw a limited entry permit earlier this fall, mark Nov. 6 on your calendar.



That's the day permits to hunt cougars on harvest objective units go on sale.

What's a harvest objective unit?

Judi Tutorow, wildlife licensing coordinator for the Division of Wildlife Resources, says there are three major differences between harvest objective units and limited entry units.

"There is no limit on the number of permits we can sell for a harvest objective unit. And you



can buy harvest objective permits on the Internet or over-the-counter," Tutorow says.

"The hunt on a harvest objective unit can close before the season ends, however, if hunters take the number of cougars biologists want taken," she says. "For example, let's say the harvest objective on a unit is 10 cougars. The hunt on that unit will close when 10 cougars are taken, even if the date when the season is supposed to end hasn't arrived yet."

The chance a unit might close early shouldn't be a big challenge for you, though. Harvest objective hunting is allowed on 32 units in Utah. If the unit you want to hunt closes, you can still hunt on any harvest objective unit that's still open to hunting.

Reminders

Utah's 2008–2009 cougar harvest objective season begins Nov. 19, 2008 on some units and Feb. 14, 2009 on others. "The dates for each unit are available on pages 25, 26 and 27 of the 2008–2009 Utah Cougar Guidebook," Tutorow says.

The guidebook is available at www.wildlife.utah.gov/proclamations and from hunting and fishing license agents and DWR offices statewide.

Tutorow reminds you that you may not buy a harvest objective permit if you've already obtained a limited entry cougar permit for the 2008–2009 season.

Before each hunting trip, you must call 1-888-668-LION (5466), or visit the DWR's Web site, to verify that the unit you'd like to hunt the next day is still open to hunting. The phone line and the Web site are updated by noon with information for the following day.

Free Ready Your Business Workshops scheduled

Complete ALL 12 Points in any order and receive the RECOGNITION OF READINESS Award 5th Annual Ready Your Business Conference – August 2009 www.BeReadyUtah.gov

Fire - Flood-Severe Storm– Earthquake- Human Error - Data Loss - Chemical Releases - Domestic Terrorism - Power/Gas Outage - Pandemic Influenza–Road Closure



Join other Utah businesses in preparing against *any* unexpected interruption

State Bank of Southern Utah

327 No. Main St. **Cedar City**

8-9:30 a.m. No-Cost Points 1-6 Weds, November 5, 2008

8-9:30 a.m. No-Cost Points 7-12 Thurs, November 6, 2008

RSVP to: relsmore@sbsu.com

Layton City

Layton City Fire Station

530 North 2200 West **Layton City**

8-9:30 a.m. No-Cost Points 1-6 Weds, November 12, 2008

8-9:30 a.m. No-Cost Points 7-12 Thurs, November 13, 2008

RSVP to: aquon@laytoncity.org .

Bill Good Marketing / Draper Chamber of Commerce

12393 So. Gateway Park Place # 600

(480 West) **Draper**

8-9:30 a.m. No Cost Points 1-6 Tues, November 18, 2008

8-9:30 a.m. No Cost Points 7-12 Weds, November 19, 2008

RSVP to: wrappleys@intgraonline.com

Draper Chamber 801-553-0928

The City of Riverton

City Hall / Council Chambers

12830 South Redwood Rd. **Riverton**

8-11:00 AM No Cost Points 1-12 Thurs, December 4, 2008

RSVP to: sgarn@rivertoncity.com

For information to schedule a workshop series for your organization, contact:

Jesse Valenzuela, Instructor/Ready Your Business jessev@utah.gov 801-538-3296

Renee Murphy, Section Manager/Private Sector & Be Ready Utah Rmurphy@utah.gov 801-538-3702

12 Point Program to Business Continuity Planning

Point 1 Creating a Planning Team / Continuity of Authority

Participants will discuss the importance of creating a planning team and who should be included. Creating a chain of command with Continuity of Authority maintains leadership during any type of operational interruption.

Point 2 Communications

Maintaining reliable communications with employees, key personnel customers, vendors and first responders can minimize confusion during any type of event. Options and solutions for a communications plan will be discussed

Point 3 Risks and Hazards

Learn how to recognize the risks and hazards that are the most probable to your facility and location. How should you plan against specific types of interruptions?

Point 4 Internal / External Resources and Capabilities

Each business or organization has internal and external resources that can be utilized for emergency response and recovery. Participants will learn to identify what capabilities are currently available and how to develop others.

Point 5 Vulnerability Assessments

Fire–Flood–Earthquake–Data Loss or Human Error. What types of emergencies within your facility or community are the most likely to occur? This point will cover a vulnerability assessment to determine probabilities; estimates impact and assess resources using a numbering system to identify certain types of interruptions.

Point 6 Essential Business Functions

Your bottom line could depend on how quickly you are able to resume normal business operations – but what needs to be operating first? Planners will learn how to focus on the most

essential of a company's business functions to determine the "what, who and how" of business resumption.

Point 7 Human Resources

The human resources within your organization are likely your most valuable assets. Discover the skills and specialized training that cannot always be replaced with outside resources.

Point 8 Workplace Evacuation and Sheltering Plan

Training employees in a simple evacuation or fire drill plan prepares them to respond without confusion during an actual emergency event. Assigning responsibility to assist customers, clients or patients out of the facility increases exit efficiency. Where should they go, what should they take, how long should they plan to stay away --or is it safer to shelter in place?

Point 9 Workplace Emergency Supply Items

Emergencies are unpredictable and could happen during working hours. Is your workplace prepared with necessary supplies to sustain occupants for 8 – 12 hours if necessary? This session will provide participants with supply lists for practical emergency kits for the office and vehicle.

Point 10 Insurance Coverage/Reviews

Would your insurance claim benefit be enough to keep you in business? Each month businesses pay a premium, confident that their coverage will be sufficient in case of an emergency yet fewer than 10% of Utahns carry earthquake insurance. Identify alternate types of insurance to cover possible gaps.

Point 11 Vital Records

Could you provide vital documents or records upon request to an insurance provider, banker or tax accountant? Recognizes types of records that are vital to the survival of a business or organization.

Point 12 Data Protect /Store / Recover

A major cause of business interruption is a result of a significant data loss. Human error, power failure, a facility fire – all could be the cause. What should an organization do to protect, store and recover vital records and safeguard their cyber system?

Blind as a bat no more

(Yes, we know bats aren't blind, still sounds good though)

October 30, 2008, Tempe Az--**NIVISYS Industries** announces their military grade night-vision system is now available for public purchase.

NIVISYS is a name new to many but they have been around for some time. NIVISYS makes an extensive line of ultra-quality military specification infrared, LASER, and night vision systems for military and law enforcement. Due to NIVISYS' advanced technology, these systems have been restricted to government use, require proof of U.S. citizenship, and restricted

outside the U.S. unless State Department approved.

Finally,
NIVISYS has
a system they
can sell to
civilians. It's a
Generation III
unit
designated
MUM-14
(Multi-Use
Monocular)
that also meets
all U.S.
military
specifications
for combat
use. Rob
Lowe, Sales
Manager says



NIVISYS MUM-14
with head-mount

"The MUM-14 is a top level high-resolution piece of gear. What separates NIVISYS apart from other companies is our complete and continuous after sale support infrastructure."

Why own one? Because it's ideal for security, covert work and let's face it, they are fun for any night recreational use or any situation where seeing what can't be seen is desired.

Size: The MUM-14 is the smallest and toughest system available anywhere. It is designed for hand-held operation, helmet mount, head-mount, and firearm. As a head-mount unit, it affords users night vision while keeping their naked eye available for observation and/or gun-sight acquisition.

For use even in total darkness it features a built-in infrared flashlight emitting light only visible through the MUM-14. The MUM-14 uses a single AA battery for 20-plus hours of use or a single CR-123 three-volt battery for 40-plus hours of operation.

NIVISYS products are ruthlessly tested in altitude, heat, cold, water, and humidity chambers.

NIVISYS is making the MUM-14 available in a special package containing the MUM-14, quick detachable picatinney weapon mount and complete night-vision head-mount system.

\$3200 MSRP

Objective lens diameter: 27mm, 40 degree field of vision.

Width: 2.70" (including on off switch and battery holder

Height: 1.95"

Length: 4.23" (not including detachable rubber eyepiece)

Weight: 9.17 ounces

Moisture Resistance: Waterproof to 20 meters.

Some optional accessories: 3x & 5x magnifiers, camera adapter, hard carry case, surveillance system.

Availability: Selected dealers across the U.S. or contact NIVISYS direct at www.nivisys.com

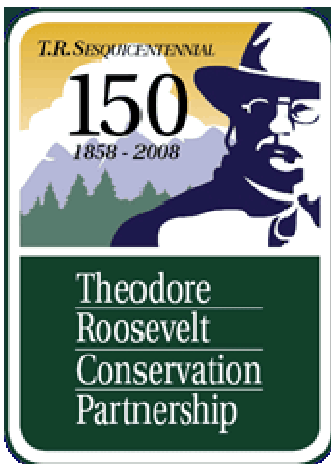
Warrantee:

One-year and if needed, the service to back it up for many years thereafter.

Consumer Beware: There is a plethora of low-end, marginal import stuff out there and most has no factory support or warranties. Much of this stuff is little better than a match. Gen III is the highest night vision level. There is no such thing as a Gen IV or V as some hype might lead consumers to believe.

Big-Game Migration Routes and Winter Range, Trout Waters Spur TRCP Protest in Colorado

Oil and gas drilling near Meeker and Pagosa Springs could degrade renowned North American elk and deer herd, native trout habitat; sportsmen object to federal approach



WASHINGTON – As sportsmen flock to western Colorado to hunt elk and mule deer, the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership today announced its protest of federal leases that would permit oil and gas drilling in crucial big-game winter range and migration corridors and Colorado cutthroat trout habitat. The sportsmen’s protest of the Bureau of Land Management’s Nov. 13 lease sale comprises more than 16,000 acres where energy development could have dramatic and long-term effects on game populations and the public’s outdoor traditions.

The Colorado Division of Wildlife has identified winter range and migration routes as “vital” to the survival and sustainability of big game, and the Western Governors Association recently released a report specifying the importance of wildlife corridors in maintaining “significant, reliable wildlife populations.” Scientific studies have concluded that energy projects established near big-game migration corridors can result in population declines in species such as mule deer.

“Just last winter, the Colorado BLM was forced to enact emergency closures of public lands to protect animals on winter ranges,” said TRCP Field Representative Dwayne Meadows. “If these leases are sold, the BLM will lack discretion to responsibly manage development and, therefore, have little ability to close the areas to human traffic, if conditions should require it.”

The TRCP protest encompasses parts of the Navajo River drainage that provide important habitat for Colorado River cutthroat trout, which both the BLM and CDOW agree is a “species

of concern” or “sensitive species.” Leasing the areas in question would violate a conservation agreement between the two agencies and rely on management plans that in some cases are more than 20 years old. Since the plans originally were written, significant new information about the effects of energy development on game has been published and must be considered by the BLM.

“We’re not demanding that energy development cease,” continued Meadows. “We are asking that, if this important habitat is leased, stipulations be in place to protect wildlife. Development should proceed only in consideration of the best-available science, in accordance with current land-use plans and in compliance with federal law.”

The sportsmen’s group asks that the leases address President Bush’s 2007 executive order on hunting, which heretofore has been ignored. With its purpose to “facilitate the expansion and enhancement of hunting opportunities and the management of game species and their habitat,” the order is directed at entities such as the Interior Department that administer public lands, recreation and wildlife management. Hunting and angling activities contribute substantially to Colorado’s economy, annually generating more than \$1 billion to the state.

“The BLM is legally bound to prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of public lands,” said TRCP Senior Vice President Tom Franklin. “Furthermore, the agency is obligated to show that leasing in or near important fish and wildlife habitat will not lead to development that irreparably damages the land and the wild, living resources it supports.

“During this time of economic upheaval and apprehension,” Franklin concluded, “citizens should be able to rely on the federal government to manage our resources appropriately – and to uphold traditional opportunities for outdoor recreation that form the core of our American identity.”

The TRCP believes that to better balance the concerns of fish and wildlife in the face of accelerating energy development, federal land management agencies must follow the conservation tenets outlined in the [FACTS for Fish and Wildlife](#).

Restaurant Wind Turbine Generates More Than Electricity

Skystream Generates Publicity, Too

Mount Airy, MD – A Skystream 3.7® wind turbine at a Maryland restaurant helps reduce electric costs and brings in plenty of publicity. The exposure Skystream has brought to the Brick Ridge Restaurant in Mount Airy, MD, is already paying off. “The wind turbine is obviously an investment, but an investment with a return. Being on the front page of several local newspapers is priceless,” says Todd Bricken, the owner.

The Skystream 3.7 was just installed on Oct. 14. Todd



promoted the wind turbine installation before the project was complete, and says he has talked to at least 200 people about it since he first put out the word. He said he expect the Skystream to help increase visits to his restaurant over time.

The Brick Ridge, which features American food from different traditions and regions, has integrated sustainable practices that include recycling, composting, rain water collection and biodegradable takeout containers. The Skystream is the newest and most visible feature. Located about 50 feet from the road, the Skystream acts as a beacon for drivers in the rural-residential area that sits between Washington, D.C. and Baltimore.

Because it is situated on an 800-foot high ridge, the restaurant is well suited to catch the wind.

Todd says he first saw a Skystream at an environmental fair in May, and later noticed two units installed near the restaurant. He stopped to talk to the owner, and learned that he was a Skystream dealer. The business, Banner Home Solutions, is a supplier and installer of home efficiency and alternative energy products.

The curious and hungry are welcome to drop in to the Brick Ridge to learn more about Skystream. [View map](#)

On the web

Brick Ridge Restaurant: www.brickridge.com

Banner Home Solutions: www.bannerhomesolutions.com

More on Federal Investment Tax Credit

On Friday, October 3, 2008, the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, H.R. 1424 was passed, which included a new federal-level investment tax credit (ITC) for qualified small wind turbines. The ITC is worth up to \$4,000 and available for units installed through 2016. This legislation marks the first federal incentive for small wind systems since 1985.

Q: How does an ITC work?

A: The ITC is a fund that helps people offset taxes owed to the U.S. government every year. People paying taxes can claim against owed taxes at the end of the year with an ITC. If one does not pay taxes they would not be eligible for the ITC. **Southwest Windpower is working with the creators of this program for further clarity around this.**

Q: What does the new tax credit mean for future Skystream customers?

A: The tax credit is worded “credit of 30 percent of the installed cost up to \$4,000 or \$500 per [] kilowatt up to \$4,000” (whichever is less). For a Skystream customer, you can receive a \$2,400** credit for a turbine. Should you purchase two turbines, you can receive a \$4,000 tax credit.

We are investigating the exact amount of the tax credit for a Skystream - it is unclear if the credit is in 500 watt increments or if one can claim 2,400 Watts.

Q: How do I apply for a rebate?

A: The rebate is an annual tax credit. You can claim the refund when filing their annual taxes in

April. You will need to file the “Residential Energy Credit” (the 2008 version of Form 5695).

Q: Are there any retroactive rebates? Will existing customers get a rebate?

A: Yes, the tax credit can be applied to any Skystream machine installed in 2008.

Q: Can I apply for other state rebates or grants.

A: Yes, if there are other state rebates, incentives or grants available to customers, you may claim those credits in addition to the federal tax credit.

Q: How many years can the customer apply for the tax credit.

A: 2 years.

Q: Will this incentive apply to other Southwest Windpower wind turbines?

A: It may, the creators of the tax credit are still finalizing the details of the program. **Once we have an understanding of how wind turbines are qualified for the program, we will notify you.**

NOTE: There are still some specifics around the bill that have not been finalized. Southwest Windpower is working with tax experts at the American Wind Energy Association (AWEA) to help clarify any unanswered questions. We will continue to update our website as we have more information.

EXTREME MOB HITS THE HIGH STREETS

Extreme Mob have answered another call of genius today launching the Extreme Mob protection range into over 1000 stores across the United Kingdom and Greece.

O2, Vodafone and 3 Network stores are now retailing the hot new line of phone covers embodying the Extreme philosophy of passion, vision, freedom and irreverence.

Extreme Group CEO, Al Gosling said this is an important win for Extreme and demonstrates the group’s competitive brand positioning and delivery for “discoverers” and “dreamers”.

“The Extreme brand is young, fresh, exciting and experiencing fantastic growth; we are in touch with today’s “discoverers” – people who go out and partake in adventure activities, and “dreamers” – those who sit at their desks and dream about adventure activities,” Mr Gosling said.

“These groups demand revolutionary, cutting-edge and functional products that deliver; and Extreme is developing just this with these new and exciting products such as the Extreme Mob protection range” he said.

“Our growth in difficult market conditions continues to impress and with additional expansion across Europe in early 2009, further success and growth is predicted,” he said.

Extreme Mob Managing Director, Malc Stapleton said Extreme Mob is at the forefront of trends, fashion and style and now not only can consumers' deck themselves out in our clothing, watches and footwear but also their technology companions.

"The world can be a tough place and there are some things which need to be taken wherever you may go, the Extreme Mob protection range is designed with this in mind," Mr Stapleton said.

"You wear a helmet to protect your head, but we know all the useful information is stored in your phone, so really you should protect that as well," Mr Stapleton said.



fashion driven consumer.

Select cases have also been adapted to reflect the partner retailers positioning such as O2, allowing their trademark branding to feature and create a differentiation of product for each retailer.

With the popularity already taking hold, Extreme Mob have begun plans to further expand the retail outlet network with the addition of a more extensive collection of protection gear.

Keep an eye out in retailers now, log onto www.extremeinternational.com or email info@extremeinternational.com for more information.

Utah Fishing Report

BEAR LAKE: Lake trout are coming close to shore in order to spawn, and some anglers have received citations for trying to catch the fish. Fishing action is fair. Biologist Scott Tolentino says the fish are getting aggressive, which improves fishing.

BIRCH CREEK RESERVOIR: The algae bloom has subsided and water quality has improved dramatically. No fishing activity was observed midweek. The water level is way down, but some fish are raising in the evening. Fishing from a float tube or pontoon is possible, but it means packing them over the steep dam then down to the water.

BLACKSMITH FORK RIVER: Biologist Paul Thompson wants to remind the public that brown trout are beginning to spawn. Please watch where you walk in streams and avoid redds.

DAVIS COUNTY URBAN PONDS: Conservation Officer Keith Fullenkamp reports urban pond fishing is fast and furious right now for the fall–stocked rainbow trout. Anglers report phenomenal success at Farmington and Kaysville Ponds using PowerBait. Please remember the daily bag and possession limits and report any observed poaching to the UTIP hotline at 1-800-



662-DEER.

JENSEN NATURE PARK: Anglers report that the fish are actively raising. Without trees to snag up on, open areas near the pond provide great opportunities to introduce beginners to the thrill of fly fishing. (Still, please watch out for people and pets behind you.)

EAST CANYON RESERVOIR: Two anglers reported catching about 20 fish on flatfish run (of which they kept six) with about ten colors on weighted line.

LOGAN RIVER: Biologist Paul Thompson wants to remind the public that brown trout are beginning to spawn. Please watch where you walk in streams and avoid redds.

LOST CREEK RESERVOIR: Conservation Officer Keith Fullenkamp reports that anglers are catching their limit of nice rainbows and cutthroats by trolling with pop gear.

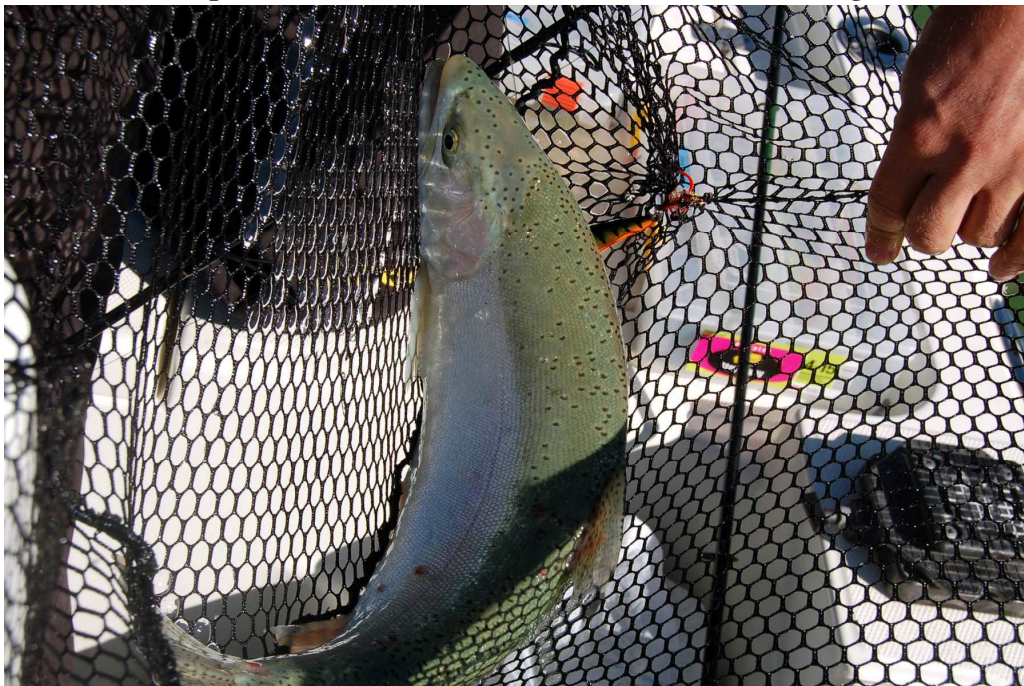
ROCKPORT STATE PARK: Joseph Donnell reports that fishing continues to be really good for trout, including some nice tigers. Most anglers are trolling with pop gear and worms, Rapalas or other favorite lures. He spoke with one group that quickly limited out after going 20 feet down. The small mouth bass are still active even with the cold water temperatures. The

water temperature is around 51 degrees. Anglers also report that bank fishing continues to be fair. Day use fees have been reduced to \$5.00.

WEBER RIVER: Biologist Paul Thompson reports that flows are excellent for fishing, and that fishing is fair overall. Try using spinners/Rapalas or typical nymphs. Brown trout are beginning to spawn, so please watch where you walk in streams and avoid redds.

BIG SANDWASH RESERVOIR: The trout are throughout the water column and are spending more time at the surface due to the cooler weather. The few anglers fishing this area are reporting good results. The water was drawn down, but there is still plenty of good fishing. Several lakes in Northeastern Utah may be infected with quagga and/or zebra mussels. To contain the infection, anglers, boaters and other users are being asked to clean and dry their boats and equipment after leaving any Northeastern water. Pay special attention to those areas which may trap and hold water including live wells, bilges and cooling systems.

BULLOCK / COTTONWOOD RESERVOIRS: No new reports. Remember the special regulation on tiger muskie: you may keep one fish that's 40 inches or over; anything less than 40 inches must be released. Division biologists moved smallmouth bass into Cottonwood in June to supplement the breeding population, which was decimated when the reservoir was drained. If you catch a smallmouth bass, please release it quickly. Small boats can be launched from undeveloped sites near the dams when the water is high. The reservoirs are located



approximately five miles north of the town of Gusher.

BROUGH RESERVOIR: Recent reports run the gamut from slow to good fishing. In general, catch rates have improved as fall progresses but it will still be slower than most waters because it is being managed as a "trophy" fishery. To

get large fish, management has to restrict the population numbers. To get to Brough, take State Route 88 south from US Route 40 (Ouray Road). Turn west at the second dirt road past the high power lines; it should be signed. Follow this road approximately two miles and pay attention to the signs. The road can be quite rutted.

BROWNIE / SPIRIT LAKE: No new reports from anglers. Access to Brownie and to Spirit would have been quite muddy over the weekend as the area received rain and snow. Please give the roads time to dry out. Warning: whirling disease was found in this area. Please make sure

you clean, dry and sterilize waders, livewells and other fishing gear before venturing to another water. Do not move fish or fish parts from one area to another. Cleaning fish: Biologists now believe the disposal of fish parts, especially the head and skeleton, is one of the primary reasons whirling disease has spread to new waters. To avoid moving whirling disease and other undesired organisms, you should clean fish at home and send the parts to a landfill. If that isn't possible, please clean the fish and bury the parts at least 100 yards away from the water's edge.



CALDER / CROUSE RESERVOIRS: Weekend anglers reported good fishing for some nice-sized, heavy fish on Calder and fast fishing for smaller rainbows at Crouse. This is expected under the new regulation as Calder is managed with fewer fish so they will grow faster and larger, while Crouse received catchable rainbows to provide a put-and-take fishery. Calder has special regulations: you may use flies and lures only, no baits; all fish less than 22 inches must be released immediately; the bag limit is one fish over 22 inches.

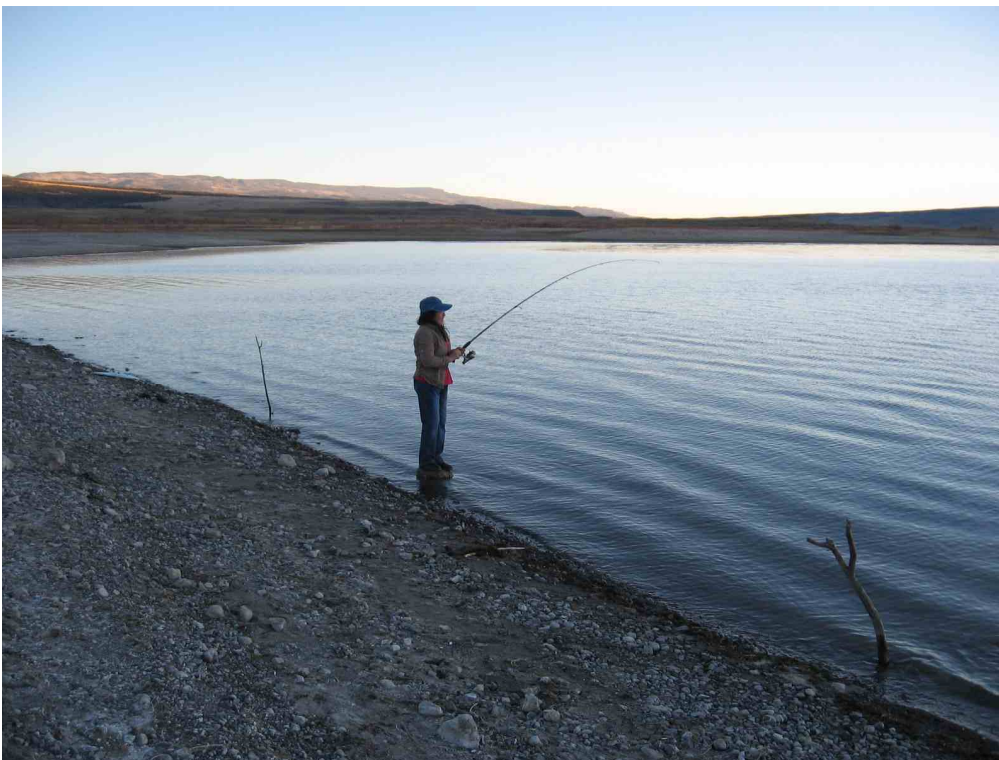
CURRENT CREEK RESERVOIR: No new reports. Hunters reported muddy roads and some areas with snow. It should have been fair to good fishing on both the reservoir and nearby streams. At this time of year, rain and snow can quickly change road

conditions and make areas impassible.

EAST PARK / OAKS PARK: The roads are open to East Park and Oaks Park. Anglers reported fair to good fishing over the weekend.

FLAMING GORGE:

Lake trout: Fishing continues to get better due to the cooler weather. Note: Linwood Bay is closed between official sunset to sunrise between Oct. 15 through Dec. 15. Anglers report good fishing for 16- to 24-inch lake trout in the Canyon. Areas to try are points next to deep water in Sheep Creek, Red Canyon, the Skull Creeks and Jarvies Canyon, we've also heard of good fishing in the Antelope Flat area. Cooler weather has allowed the fish to move throughout the water column so try fishing different depths or use a fish finder to locate fish. If jigging, try tube jigs in white, chartreuse, glow or brown. Tipping it with a small chunk of sucker or chub meat may increase interest. Airplane jigs and jigging spoons are also working well. No-stretch



line will help anglers feel strikes and set the hook better. When trolling, check your graphs and use downriggers to get lures like needlefish, other spoons and Rapalas down near the bottom. Unlike their larger relatives, the smaller lake trout are excellent table fare when grilled. There's an overabundance of lake trout less than 28 inches in the Gorge so do your part to help the fishery and keep a limit of eight fish. Larger lake trout fishing was fair this

summer at traditional structure spots from Big Bend south to Sheep Creek Bay, and in Jarvies and the dam areas. Big lake trout eat big food, so lures and jigs should be big also. Try larger tube jigs and jigging spoons, or if you're trolling, use large plugs, spoons or flatfish on a downrigger. Remember, only one fish over 28 inches may be kept.

Kokanee: Kokanee spawning regulations went into effect on September 10th with all fish (Kokanee) caught have to be released immediately through November 30. Anglers can still fish for kokanee; they just have to be released. Try around the Pipeline, Sheep Creek and Jarvies Canyon. While the waters remain warm, fish in depths of 40 to 55 feet or anywhere you see fish on the graph. Downriggers, long lining, lead weights and planer boards can get the small spoons like needlefish, triple teasers, or other erratic-moving lures down to the right depths. Troll at speeds from 1.5 to 2.5 miles per hour.

Rainbow: Fishing has really perked up with the cooler weather. There's reports of good fishing on most areas of the reservoir. Try casting lures or baits like worm/marshmallow combinations or PowerBait from shore. Trolling spoons, pop gear and spinners in shallow and deeper water is also effective. If you're fishing from a boat and looking for larger fish, try fishing lower with downriggers. Don't be afraid of harvesting some rainbows, as they are really tasty from the cold waters of the Gorge.

Burbot (Ling): We've gotten several reports of burbot being caught while jigging for lake trout this fall. Other anglers specifically targeting burbot are also reporting good fishing. For those interested in fishing for burbot, try the following techniques. Go out at night or early in the morning and fish waters from 30 to 50 feet. Try off the points in areas like Antelope Flat, Linwood Bay (note nighttime closure) or Sheep Creek in Utah and Firehole, Lost Dog, Sage Creek, Confluence, Buckboard, Holmes Crossing, Anvil Draw, Skunk Cliffs and Marsh Creek in Wyoming. Use glow tube or curly tail jigs that are two to three inches in size and about 1/8 to 1/4 ounce in weight. Jigging spoons and jigging Rapalas also work well. Tipping with sucker or crayfish meat and using smelly jelly or similar scents in crayfish also seems to help. These fish are in depths from 30 to 90 feet but seem to be caught more in the 40 to 60 foot range. During the day, these fish will move deep (70 to 100 feet), so jigging in deep water may produce some fish during the day. Netting in the Wyoming end of the reservoir has shown a large increase in the number of burbot present. Larger fish are 30 plus inches and up towards of four or five pounds. These fish must be harvested if caught in Utah to help control their population. They were illegally introduced to the upper Green River drainage and could have a major impact on other fish species. There is no limit on burbot. You cannot waste the burbot in the Wyoming end of the reservoir, and they can be released there. However, please don't release



any of these fish. They have been eating large amounts of crayfish and are also consuming kokanee salmon, smallmouth bass and critical food sources for other fish species. They could have an extreme impact on the reservoir fishery and should be removed by fishermen whenever possible. Burbot are an excellent eating fish with white, flaky flesh that is similar to a perch. They can be breaded and fried, or boiled and dipped in melted butter.

Smallmouth bass: Smallmouth fishing is slowing down although a few anglers did find them and had good fishing last weekend. Try fishing the rocky areas where crayfish will be and adjust depth until you find the fish. Crayfish-colored grubs on lead head jigs or small plastic

worms, sinkos, twitch and crankbaits have all been working in about 20 feet of water off rocky shorelines and points. Try adding drop shot techniques to your presentations if the fish can't be found in the upper waters. If you're fishing in the canyon, keep a limit of ten fish smaller than 10 inches to help thin out the population and increase growth on remaining fish.

GREEN RIVER (UPPER): Anglers are reporting good fishing in most sections of the river. Please remember the slot-limit size range has changed from 13–20 inches to 15–22 inches to make regulations more consistent statewide. Imitation grasshoppers and other top-water fishing still good. Nymphs and streamers become the mainstay as fall progresses. Try size 2–4 buggers such as Goldilox and patterns in olive, pink and white. Spin fishermen should try Rapalas (floating, countdown and husky jerk); spinners; spoons; black, brown or olive marabou jigs; and plastic jigs. Please check to see that your tube jigs do not contain fish-attracting scents; they are illegal to use in the river. The flows on the river have returned to normal with an average of 1,500 cfs with one peak per day. This should continue through September. Visit the [Bureau of Reclamation Web site](#) for the latest information on flows. New Zealand mudsnail densities have dramatically increased in several localized areas near Little Hole, and have been documented in



most areas of the river. Please thoroughly clean mud and vegetation from waders, boats and

fishing gear. If possible, completely dry equipment before leaving the area. A hot water bath (120 F) will kill mudsnails, and spraying equipment with 409 or a similar soap solution before drying will increase effectiveness.

Anglers also need to be aware of those floating the river and not block the passage of their boats by standing in the deepest passages. A little courtesy can go a long way to stopping a potentially hazardous encounter for both anglers and

boaters.

GREEN RIVER (LOWER): The water level remains low with a few peaks due to the rains. Catfish anglers reported good fishing in the Jensen and Ouray areas.

MATT WARNER RESERVOIR: We are getting fewer reports this summer, likely because in the late spring/early summer anglers found fishing was much slower than usual although the fish seemed to be larger. Exactly why the fishing was slow is another one of the fishing mysteries. Spring netting indicated a healthy population of fish survived the winter plus the population was further supplemented with additional catchable-sized rainbows.

MOON LAKE: Latest reports indicate fair to good fishing success. Moon Lake contains a variety of trout and kokanee, and fishing for all of these species should continue to be fair to good with the cool weather.

MOOSE POND: Moose Pond was drained to make some needed enhancements. The goal is to create a walking/fishing structure along the north end that provides safe access and places to fish, so visitors won't need to use the highway as a path. Part of this new walkway will be accessible to visitors with physical disabilities. In the process, the inlet and outlet structures will be rebuilt, the pond will be made deeper by dredging in some areas and stabilizing a crack in the bottom to create better fish habitat, and a nature/access trail will be created to the south. If everything goes as planned, the new Moose Pond access should be ready, the pond filled and fish stocked again by early next summer.



PELICAN LAKE: Anglers dropping out as the fish are slowing down and getting harder to find. Most of the recreational activities are by waterfowl hunters. Pelican is one of several lakes in northeastern Utah which may be infected with quagga and/or zebra mussels. To contain the infection, anglers, boaters and other users are being asked to clean and dry their boats and equipment after leaving the water. Pay special attention to those areas which may trap and hold water including live wells, bilges and cooling systems.

RED FLEET RESERVOIR: Anglers reported good fishing for trout, bass and bluegill over the weekend. Bass and bluegill have moved into deeper waters, 20 to 30 feet, while the trout are moving up in the water column and spending more time near the surface. Try fishing off rocky points, moss beds and other structure during the cooler hours. Red Fleet is one of several lakes in northeastern Utah which may be infected with quagga and/or zebra mussels. To contain the possible infection, anglers and other boaters are being asked to clean and dry their boats after leaving the water. Pay special attention to those areas which may trap and hold water including live wells, bilges and engine cooling systems.

STARVATION RESERVOIR: Anglers have been reporting mostly good fishing for walleye, bass and yellow perch. A few rainbows and browns have also been reported. Try fishing off the walls and points for bass and walleye and near the moss beds for yellow perch. Several lakes in Northeastern Utah may be infected with quagga and/or zebra mussels. To contain the infection, anglers, boaters and other users are being asked to clean and dry their boats and equipment after leaving any Northeastern water. Pay special attention to those areas which may trap and hold

water including live wells, bilges and cooling systems.



STEINAKER RESERVOIR: Anglers reported good fishing due to the cooler weather for rainbows. Bass and bluegill catch rates are still good in the deeper water. Try fishing in waters around 20 feet deep near rocky structures for bass and bluegill. Several lakes in northeastern Utah may be infected with quagga and/or zebra mussels. To contain the infection, anglers, boaters and other users are being asked to clean and dry their boats and equipment after

leaving any northeastern water. Pay special attention to those areas which may trap and hold water including live wells, bilges and cooling systems.

UINTA MOUNTAIN LAKES AND STREAMS: Most of the mountain trails are still accessible and fishing success was good. There is new snow at the highest elevations. Fishing on mountain lakes and streams can be spotty, so if one isn't producing, try moving to another. With over 400 managed fisheries on the South Slope alone, it's easy to find a new place to fish.

Bright shinny lures and dry flies have been producing well. Always go prepared for serious weather, as the Uinta Mountains are well known for frequent, unexpected storms and high winds. The Uinta Mountains have a four-trout limit with a bonus of four more brook trout—see the [2008 Fishing Guidebook for details](#).

The South Dakota Pheasantennial: Celebrating 100 Years of Tradition

The year 2008 marks the 100th anniversary of the successful introduction of the Chinese Ring-necked Pheasant onto the prairies of South Dakota.



Come celebrate with us at the Pheasantennial event on November 15, 2008 at the *Cabela's* store in Mitchell.

Online registration has closed, but you can still register to win a 2009 Dream Hunt by attending the Pheasantennial event on November 15!

A grand prize winner will be randomly selected from ten semi-finalists winners and receive:

South Dakota 2009 Dream Hunt with *Pheasants Forever* TV host, Ron Schara for you and three guests. The hunt will be taped and later shown on *Pheasants Forever TV*.
\$500 *Cabela's* gift card to outfit the hunt.

The winner will be announced at the South Dakota Pheasantennial event November 15, 2008, at the Cabela's store in Mitchell, SD, and must be present to win. To qualify for the South Dakota 2009 Dream Hunt grand prize, you must be one of 10 semi-finalists randomly chosen from all eligible online and in-store entries.

[http://www.travelsd.com/thingsodo/hunting/Pheasantennial.asp](http://www.travelsd.com/thingstodo/hunting/Pheasantennial.asp)

FoxFury Spotlight: Upgraded Scout Utility Light enhances User Safety

FoxFury's Scout Tactical III Utility Light has been upgraded, enhancing Light Output, Battery Life and User Satisfaction.

Maintaining its 6 White & 4 Red LED configuration, FoxFury's most Safety-conscious light now delivers 15 lumens of brightness (measured for white light only), a 20% increase in light output!

Subsequently, the Tactical III's adjustable settings encompass just 4 modes, each utilized for increased visibility and user safety, and the preservation of one's night vision!

The Scout's 3rd mode still serves as the best solution for users' most critical need for safety in that it permits a user to be seen from up to 2 miles (3.2 km) away via road or air, depending on ambient conditions.



Lastly, FoxFury has altered the Scout's battery source to 3 "AA" batteries; extending battery life to a range between 24 and 100 hours (varies according to mode).

The versatile Scout Tactical III can be belt or pocket worn, hung from a carabineer, set on a flat surface, or hand-held if desired.

It is Waterproof (up to 20 ft / 6 m), Impact Resistant and Fire Resistant.

The Scout Tactical III is ideal for a variety of applications including Fire & EMS, Law Enforcement, Search & Rescue, Industrial, and Biking!

MSRP \$39.99. Full Specs:http://www.foxfury.com/products/scout_series/tactical3/tactical3.htm
For information on all FoxFury products, please visit us at www.FoxFury.com.

BLM: New Resource Management Plans "A collaborative effort in balanced stewardship for the future"

Salt Lake City ---Bureau of Land Management Utah State Director Selma Sierra today announced that Approved Resource Management Plans for five of the agency's Field Offices will receive final approval on Oct. 31. The updated Resource Management Plans (RMPs) cover public lands managed by the BLM's Kanab, Moab, Price, Richfield and Vernal Field Offices.

"BLM Utah has reached an important milestone as we prepare to replace outdated RMPs with plans that reflect current conditions on the land, as well as new and emerging patterns of public use," Sierra said. "The new RMPs are the culmination of years of work and cooperation with the public, local and state governments, tribes, and our cooperating agency partners. This has been a truly collaborative effort in balanced stewardship for the future. We are pleased to have the plans completed and look forward to moving into the implementation phase of the planning process."

Sierra said the new RMPs will help the agency meet a variety of challenges that have emerged since the previous RMPs were written up to 25 years ago. These include the need for improved recreation opportunities, better management of cross-country travel to protect natural resources, the use of Best Management Practices to mitigate the impacts of energy development activities, and additional safeguards for the protection of environmentally sensitive areas.

The Approved RMPs will become effective upon the signing of Records of Decision Oct. 31 by Department of the Interior, Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, C. Stephen Allred. A sixth Resource Management Plan, for BLM's Monticello Field Office, has been

approved by the Bureau of Land Management and is awaiting final review by the Department of the Interior.



These new plans represent important shifts in how BLM Utah manages the public lands. They have taken an average of six years each to complete because BLM wanted to ensure that the commitments these plans represent were followed through. For instance, 2.2 million acres of lands considered to be eligible for wilderness characteristics management were thoroughly

analyzed and BLM is managing 361,000 acres to preserve wilderness character on the lands in these five plans. Making these decisions meant almost starting from scratch in the Vernal and Price

land use plans. Even so, BLM believes the additional time invested was worth the benefit of resolving the wilderness questions in Utah.

Travel management is considered to be one of the hottest issues on public lands today, and this is particularly true for public lands in Utah. In Utah's new plans, lands are being placed into one of three categories: open, closed or limited. Open areas are where cross-country off-highway vehicle travel is permitted. Closed areas are not available for motorized travel.

Limited areas are restricted to designated routes and trails. These routes may be available at certain times, in certain areas, and/or to certain vehicular use.

BLM Utah is shifting from allowing open, cross-country travel on nearly all public lands to allowing travel only on specifically identified routes. The new travel plans close almost 1.1



million acres (13 percent) of public lands in the five plans completely to off-highway vehicle travel. The plans allow travel on specifically identified roads on 7.6 million acres (88 percent) of public lands in the five planning areas. Another way to look at this is that cross-country off-

highway vehicle use is only allowed on 0.2 percent of all public lands across the five planning areas. This decision was applauded by the Utah Governor's office and has met with overall approval from many in the public. Motorized recreation enthusiasts recognize the importance of making these decisions as crucial to overall better travel management on public lands.

In addition to resolving the travel and new wilderness management issues on public lands in Utah, BLM has also tackled some of the most difficult questions facing public lands managers today: where and how energy development will take place; what lands should be set aside for conservation management; and where and how recreation will be allowed on public lands.

The BLM was committed during the planning process to balance protecting environmentally sensitive areas while supporting energy resources in Utah. In the new plans, 53 percent of the acres open to oil and gas leasing are subject to stricter environmental controls, with 18 percent of the lands within the planning areas unavailable for leasing under any circumstance.

In addition to strictly controlling how and where energy development will take place, BLM has committed in each of the plans to find innovative ways to minimize the footprint on public

lands. This is done through best management practices, including directional drilling, well placement and sound muffling.

Recreation on public lands in Utah is world renowned. To minimize conflicts between different types of recreation enthusiasts (for example back-country hikers and jeep enthusiasts), BLM had to identify where recreation opportunities exist, then prioritize where these different types of recreation should be allowed, with public land protection being the primary goal of this exercise. To achieve this delicate balance, BLM has designated 23 new special recreation management areas in

addition to the seven that existed. These areas focus different types of recreation in order to limit conflicts and protect resources such as sensitive plants, spectacular views, and cultural sites. New special recreation management areas include Dolores River Canyons, Henry Mountains, Nine Mile Canyon, Fantasy Canyon and Range Creek, among others.



management areas include Dolores River Canyons, Henry Mountains, Nine Mile Canyon, Fantasy Canyon and Range Creek, among others.

BLM has several opportunities to protect special areas—two of these opportunities are required by specific laws. These include designating “Areas of Critical Environmental Concern” (ACECs) and identifying rivers and streams that should be protected as Wild and Scenic Rivers – BLM in Utah is designating 11 new ACECs including Behind the Rocks, Highway 279 Corridor, Cleveland Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry, and Lower Green River Corridor. Areas of Critical Environmental Concern are areas where special management attention is required to protect resources found in these areas. During the planning process, BLM concluded that 19 river segments were suitable for designation into the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. These include segments of the Colorado, Green, Dolores, San Juan and Paria rivers—all of these rivers are considered so important that they draw attention worldwide. The BLM intends to work closely with the State of Utah and other federal agencies in the future to submit a statewide wild and scenic rivers package to Congress for its consideration.

A third way BLM can protect special public lands places has already been discussed. BLM can

exercise its own inherent authority to protect special areas that may not necessarily qualify for protection under any of the special designation criteria mentioned above. As a result of its Utah land use planning effort, BLM will be managing 40 areas totaling 357,258 acres to protect, preserve and maintain wilderness characteristics (like solitude). Some of these areas include Fisher Towers, Grand Gulch, Dirty Devil/French Spring and White River—all well known to photographers, hikers and mountaineering enthusiasts worldwide.

BLM's land use planning process took a long time; much longer than BLM hoped when it started many of these plans in 2001. In addition to the length of time this planning effort took, BLM did not set out to complete all six plans at the same time. The BLM is particularly pleased that despite the time it took to get these plans completed, no shortcuts were ever used. In fact, BLM's own process allows for a discretionary review (known as protests) by an objective, higher-level official. The protest letters received on all of Utah's Proposed Plans/Final Environmental Impact Statements were reviewed by the BLM Director in



Washington, D.C. over the last couple of months. After careful consideration of all points raised in these protests, the National BLM Director's analysis shows that BLM Utah followed all laws, policies, and pertinent resource considerations in developing these plans. Minor clarifications resulting from this review are incorporated into the Approved Resource Management Plans and discussed in the Record of Decision for each plan.

Finally, the State of Utah Governor's office exercised its right to review the BLM's land use plans and sent BLM letters concluding that the BLM plans were consistent with State or local plans. BLM is pleased with this outcome, because working with the State of Utah was of particular importance to Selma Sierra, the BLM Utah State Director.

Electronic copies of the Records of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plans will be available beginning the week of November 3 on the following web sites:

- BLM Kanab Field Office: <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/kanab/planning.html>
- BLM Moab Field Office: <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/moab/planning.html>
- BLM Price Field Office: <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/price/planning.html>
- BLM Richfield Field Office: <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/richfield/planning.html>
- BLM Vernal Field Office: <http://www.blm.gov/ut/st/en/fo/vernal/planning.html>

KARSON'S KAUSE: AN EVENING WITH BRENN HILL SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

(Nashville, TN - October 30, 2008) On Saturday, November 22, 2008, Utah cowboy singer-songwriter **BRENN HILL** will participate in *Karson's Kause: An Evening with Brenn Hill*, a benefit concert and auction celebrating the life of Karson Riggs. The mission of Karson's Kause is to support the Darren and Jody Riggs family of Hooper, Utah as they raise baby Karson, who



has Type I Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) and needs constant care. The Riggs family are neighbors of Hill, so he has personally witnessed the family's challenges and needs: "I hope this event can make a difference for Karson and the Riggs family. As a father I really can't imagine the situation in which they find themselves, but I hope we can ease some of the financial burden they're experiencing through all of this."

Spinal Muscular Atrophy is a disease which produces weakness in the muscles of swallowing, breathing, and limbs due to the deterioration and loss of the motor neurons of the spinal cord and brainstem. Type I Infantile SMA is the most severe form. There is no cure for SMA yet known.

Karson's Kause: An Evening with Brenn Hill will be held at Fremont High School, 1900 North 4700 West, Plain City, Utah. The evening begins with an auction at 6:00pm, followed by Brenn's concert at 8:00pm. Tickets are \$20.00 in advance and \$25.00 at the door. Advance tickets can be purchased by calling Marie Cottam at (801) 791-2281. Hill adds, "We hope you can be a part of *Karson's Kause* by coming to the concert, sponsoring the event or donating to the auction, and especially by keeping the Riggs family in your prayers." For more information about the event and its mission, visit www.karsonskause.blogspot.com.

Brenn Hill's career is on the move. Recently the Western Folklife Association called the thirty-two year old Utahn "one of the most innovative voices in contemporary cowboy music." Billboard magazine says, "Hill is a bridge between western music's best traditions and the future of the genre as cowboys and cowboy singers evolve with the changing times." More can be learned about Hill at his website, www.brennhill.com, or at his MySpace page, www.myspace.com/brennhill.



Ski Utah's 2008 Fat Flake Festival Nov. 15 Features Addition of New Ski Boot Race

Ski Utah's 2008 Fat Flake Festival will take place Sat., Nov. 15 from 5-9 p.m. at the Gallivan Center in downtown Salt Lake City. This year's festival will feature music by The Bastard Sons of Johnny Cash, Cavedoll and Junior Giant. Local ski and snowboard athletes including Julian Carr, Jamie Pierre, Rachael Burks, Jenn Berg, Stevie Bell and Ashley Battersby will also be on hand to sign autographs in the Powder Lounge.

New to the event this year, is the first ever Ski Boot Race. Contestants wearing alpine ski boots will tackle a challenging dash around the perimeter of the Gallivan Center in the quest for a new pair of Rossignol alpine ski boots, and the title of Utah's "Fastest Ski Boot Racer" in both a men's and women's division. Pre-registration for the race will open on Nov. 1. More information can be found by visiting SkiUtah.com/Fat_Flake_Festival.

Participants can also take part in the vintage ski outfit contest and win new clothes from Eider, skis from Rossignol or a Burton snowboard. Lift tickets and other swag from Utah ski resorts will also be given away. The event will also offer ice skating, a kids zone, food, beer and much more. The Fat Flake Festival is free and open to the public. Last year's festival was successful in conjuring an amazing 700 inches of snow for the 2007-08 winter season. Join Ski Utah as they call out to the snow gods and welcome winter back to the Wasatch!



The Fat Flake Festival is powered by Ski Utah, Ride Utah, KSL Radio, X-96, PowerAde, Monster Beverage Co., Salt Lake CVB, Stantec, Powder Magazine, Snowboarder Magazine, Media One, City Weekly, Pictureline, and Young Chevrolet.

Snowbird Donates 6,568 lbs. of Food to Utah Food Bank

UTAH - Snowbird collected more than three tons of non-perishable food for the Utah Food Bank during the resort's annual Customer Appreciation Days. The 6,568 pounds - the equivalent of 3,284 meals - was presented to the Utah Food Bank Oct. 21. In addition, \$1,700 was raised for the Wasatch Adaptive Sports Program, a non-profit educational foundation providing outdoor recreational activities for children and adults with special needs.

Snowbird's Customer Appreciation Days were such a success that the resort decided to extend the event through this past weekend, Oct. 25 and 26, so even more food was collected and funds raised after the Oct. 21 donation. Customers donated one can of food or a \$2 donation to the Wasatch Adaptive Sports Program in exchange for one free Tram ride.

"Snowbird's annual customer appreciation program is a great way for us to give back to our guests while contributing to a great cause," said Snowbird President Bob Bonar. "We're delighted to help support the Utah Food Bank as they embark on their Holiday Food Drive."

The food collected at Snowbird precedes the kick-off of the Utah Food Bank's Holiday Food Drive. The Holiday Food Drive is an annual effort to stock the shelves of the Utah Food Bank in preparation for the holidays and the winter months.

Stein Eriksen Lodge Spreads Holiday Cheer

Early holiday vacationers can enjoy the magic of an alpine winter getaway for less at Stein Eriksen Lodge, with the Lodge's announcement of a special Early December Room Rate.

From December 9-25, 2008, guests at the Lodge located mid-mountain at Deer Valley Resort can be treated to a luxurious vacation for \$350 per room, per night. This rate includes Deluxe

Bedroom accommodations and buffet breakfast. A minimum two-night stay is required. Guests who book four nights will receive the fifth night free of charge. This rate is subject to availability based on double occupancy. To book reservations online visit www.steinlodge.com or call (800) 453-1302.

After the holidays, Stein Eriksen Lodge's Early Escape Package includes lodging, daily breakfast, taxes and one adult lift ticket per person to Deer Valley Resort for \$425 per person per night, based on double occupancy. Additional nights may be purchased and a two-night minimum stay is required. Lift tickets are nonrefundable. The Early Escape package is valid Sunday through Wednesday only from January 25 through February 11, 2009 and February 22 through March 11, 2009.

Free Skiing at The Canyons

The economy is rough, gas is expensive, and groceries are costing more. To combat tough economic times, The Canyons Resort has announced its Ski Free with Bonus Cash package for the coming winter season.

The Ski Free with Bonus Cash package includes lodging at one of The Canyons' on-mountain lodging properties - The Grand Summit Hotel, Sundial Lodge or Silverado Lodge - two lift tickets each day, and \$25 in bonus cash to use at The Canyons Resort each day of your stay. Bonus cash can be used toward meals, ski rentals, ski school, spa treatments, and more. Rates start at \$349 per room per night based on double occupancy for a studio unit during December.

Saint Nick hasn't been spared from the tough times, either, and on Saturday, December 20th, the first 50 people who come to the ticket window at The Canyons dressed in full Santa

All Resort Gold Pass - While Supplies Last!

Looking for a great employee incentive? Want to take your clients skiing or riding for the day?

The Ski Utah Gold Pass is what you need. One pass, 13 resorts, and 40 days of free skiing/riding at each resort!!

The Ski Utah Gold Pass is a fully transferable pass that allows the pass holder to ski 40 days at each of Utah's alpine and cross-country areas throughout the season. That means you could visit a different resort every day! The opportunity to purchase a Ski Utah Gold Pass is rare because of the limited supply. Don't miss out, purchase your pass now!!



The cost of a 2008-09 Gold Pass is only \$3,400. For more information, or to purchase a pass, please contact Elizabeth Brown at elizabeth@skiutah.com.

Solar Dealers Workshops scheduled

We have two one-day training events in your areas in next week. The \$75 fee includes lunch.

To register, go to this link <http://www.aeesolar.com/trainings/one-day-solar-trainings.html>

Friday, November 7, 9AM - 5PM

Salt Lake City, UT

AEE Solar: Launch and Grow Your Solar Business



Enphase: Micro Inverters
Fronius: Grid-tie inverters

Hilton Garden Inn

277 W. Sego Lily Drive
Sandy, UT 84070
801-352-9400

For more information email ofarnsworth@aeesolar.com or call Orrin Farnsworth 800-777-6609, x4866-

BlackLine GPS Introduces Harpoon – Watercraft Recovery, Security & Tracking Device

The boating industry's first active recovery solution Harpoon will be unveiled at the International Fort Lauderdale Boat Show Oct. 30 – Nov. 1

Calgary, Alberta October 29, 2008 – BlackLine GPS Inc. (“BlackLine”) expands its product portfolio with the introduction of Harpoon™, a GPS-based watercraft recovery and tracking device. Marking a new era of watercraft protection, Harpoon is the boating industry's first active recovery solution.

At its foundation, Harpoon features always-on cellular communications for security monitoring. With the help of industry-leading GPS technology, Harpoon continuously monitors its automatically-configured GPS security perimeter. If an unauthorized individual moves the watercraft outside the security perimeter, Harpoon instantly alerts the BlackLine

Recovery Service™, triggering recovery procedures.

“Harpoon is designed to provide peace of mind for watercraft owners that their watercraft is secure. If their vessel is ever stolen, the BlackLine Recovery Service works with the authorities to quickly recover the watercraft for the owner,” said Patrick Rousseau, President of BlackLine. Further commenting, “Harpoon will be a welcome addition to both consumers and businesses alike.”

Harpoon is BlackLine’s first product to feature BlackLine’s Aura™ technology that wirelessly detects the proximity of the supplied MyPass™ keyfob to automatically arm/disarm its security function. When the user enters proximity to Harpoon, it automatically disarms. When the user leaves proximity, Harpoon automatically configures a GPS security perimeter and enters its armed security mode.

Harpoon is compatible with BlackLine’s user account that supports existing products including its GPS Snitch® auto security & tracking device and Blip™ application for BlackBerry® smartphones. From an Internet browser, users are able to log into their account and track Harpoon in real-time and through a location scheduler that automates GPS tracking.



Conveniently wired to a watercraft’s battery system, Harpoon requires only a two-wire power connection and is compatible with both 12VDC and 24VDC power systems. Watercraft owners concerned about their watercraft battery level can remotely monitor their battery by logging into their user account. When the watercraft battery level becomes low, the user is notified through email and text message (SMS) to a mobile phone. If Harpoon’s power supply is disconnected, Harpoon seamlessly transitions to its internal rechargeable 2-day battery backup system while notifying the user of the disconnection.

Designed for the boating industry, Harpoon is contained within a compact, weather-sealed enclosure (IP67). Harpoon features BlackLine’s UltimateSense™ GPS antenna technology for optimum satellite tracking. Harpoon may be installed in a discreet, hidden location and does not require a costly installation similar to other marine electronics systems.

Harpoon also features BlackLine’s sharing technology that allows users to share their watercraft location with others. By sharing to friends and family, Harpoon provides the ability for users to share their journey with loved ones while increasing peace-of-mind and safety.

Harpoon is priced at \$349 MSRP and will be available from retailers and select dealers in the first quarter of 2009. Rate plans feature any-time GPS tracking, the BlackLine Recovery Service™, no contract, no hidden fees, Canada and US coverage, and are priced at \$19.99/month or \$199.99/year.

Ogden Nature Center classes and activities for November & December

NOVEMBER

Making Nature Journals

Thursday, November 6 / 6-8:30 pm

Ages: 12 and up

Cost: \$25 members / \$30 for non-members / + \$5. material fee

Local artist Adele Greenleaf will help you create a simple sewn, full sized, handmade journal, perfect for keeping field and garden notes, visual and artistic musings or taking along as a travel journal. Pre-register by Nov. 5.

A Legacy of Landscapes

Tuesday, November 11 / 7 pm

Ages: 12 and up

Cost: \$3 members / \$4 for non-members

Join an expert from The Nature Conservancy to learn about the varied landscapes and natural beauty being preserved through concerted conservation efforts, including that of the Conservancy's new preserve in Layton.

Walkers, Trotters, Creepers & Crawlers Preschool Program

Ages: 3-5

Cost: \$3 per child

M-Nov. 10; 9:30, 11:00, 1:00

T-Nov. 18; 9:30, 11:00, 1:00

F- Dec. 5; 9:30, 11:00, 1:00

Explore the world of creatures that crawl – on many legs, four legs or no legs at all! Find footprints and patterns on the ground, share songs, stories and snacks about moving and create a creature to take home.

Pre-register by calling 801-621-7595. Space is limited.

Forcing Bulbs – For the Holidays and Beyond

Thursday, November 13 / 6:30 pm

Ages: 12 and up

Costs: \$5 members / \$6 non-members

Bulbs and planting materials extra charge

Decorate for the holidays and brighten up your home in the winter with live blooming bulbs.

Barney Barnett of Willard Bay Gardens will share techniques of bulb forcing in a hands-on workshop. Amaryllis, Paperwhites and Hyacinths will be available for purchase and planting that evening, or simply join the class and observe. Pre-register by November 10.

Bookworms

Tuesday, November 25 / 5:30 pm

Ages: Adults

Cost: FREE

Join our discussion on *Laughing Boy* by Oliver La Farge and/or *The World of Chief Seattle: How Can One Sell the Air*, by Warren Jefferson. Held in the Visitor Center Discovery Room. Refreshments provided.

DECEMBER

Holiday Open House at the Nest Gift Shop

Saturday, December 6, 9 am – 4 pm

FREE admission all day

FREE kids crafts throughout the day

Members receive 10% off all purchases in the Nest Gift Shop (excluding sale items.)

Enjoy light refreshments, free gift wrapping and lively shopping at our annual Open House.

Our signature holiday swags, wreaths and table décor made from fresh greens will be on sale.

The Nest Gift Shop features nature related books, stationary, toys, games, art, birdfeeders, jewelry, casual clothing and stocking stuffers galore!

ONGOING

Wildlife Wednesdays

Every Wednesday at 3:30 pm

Ages: All

Cost: FREE to members / \$3-Adults,
\$1.25-Children for non-members

Get an up close look and learn about slithering snakes, beautiful birds, creeping spiders and other animal species native to the Great Basin region. Each week an Ogden Nature Center wildlife specialist will introduce a different animal. Learn about unique characteristics, habitats, behavior and more.

The Ogden Nature Center is located at 966 W. 12th Street in Ogden, Utah. To register for classes or for more information, please call 801-621-7595. Class sizes are limited to ensure a quality experience. Call in your reservations and pay with VISA or Mastercard, or come in person to pay with cash or check. We cannot accept reservations through the mail or without payment. We reserve the right to change instructors or cancel classes due to circumstances beyond our control including illness, inclement weather or low attendance.

Ski FREE with the Ski Utah Fifth Grade Passport and Sixth Grade SnowPass

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH- Winter is just around the corner. Don't let your fifth and sixth graders get stuck inside this winter when they could be skiing and snowboarding for FREE. The Ski Utah Fifth Grade Passport and Sixth Grade SnowPass are the best ways for fifth and sixth graders to experience The Greatest Snow on Earth. Fifth graders can ski three times free at each of Utah's 13 world-class resorts utilizing the Passport. Sixth graders can continue to enjoy one

day of free snowriding at each Utah ski resort with the SnowPass.

Nearly 1 in 10 of the world's school children are overweight and the number of overweight adolescents in the U.S. has tripled in the past two decades. Overweight conditions in children and adolescents are generally caused by lack of physical activity, unhealthy eating patterns or a combination of the two.

"Now, more than ever, it is important to keep Utah's children healthy and active," said Ski Utah Marketing Director Raelene Davis. "The Passport and SnowPass programs make it easy for families to promote healthy lifetime activities in their children by recreating together on the slopes."

More information on these programs and downloadable applications are available at SkiUtah.com. Other questions may be answered by emailing Ski Utah at SkiInfo@SkiUtah.com or by calling 801.534.1779.

Each year 8,000 Utah students participate in the Ski Utah Passport and SnowPass programs thanks to support from KSL-TV, KSL News Radio, Zions Bank, Marriott Corp., Whole Foods, The Truth About Tobacco, Powerade, Ski'N'See, Canyon Sports, Rossignol and Burton.

WEAK BATTERIES CAN BE A DRAIN

AAA Recommends Having Batteries Tested at Every Inspection

SALT LAKE CITY, October 27, 2008 – Since January 1, AAA Utah reports that 19.6 percent of all AAA member road service calls in 2008 have been battery-related.

"Despite warranties that claim an expected battery life of four, five or six years, most vehicle batteries will fail after three and a half years, or even sooner," said AAA Utah spokesperson Rolayne Fairclough. "Luckily, it's possible keep tabs on your battery's charge by requesting a quick check every time your car is inspected."

AAA offers these tips for getting the most out of your auto battery and knowing when to replace it:

- Before replacing a battery, have the battery, electrical and vehicle-charging system checked for problems.
- Slow or long engine cranking are signs of a weak battery.
- Dim headlights or illumination of the battery/charging system warning light on the dash may indicate a charging system problem.
- Keeping the battery case clean by wiping it down with a moist paper towel and mild detergent will help reduce any current drain caused by dirt or grime.
- Corrosion around the terminal connections and battery hold down can be cleaned with a small stiff brush and a solution of baking soda and water. Rinse the battery with water, but be careful of staining floors or driveways.

- If the battery has removable vent caps, check the electrolyte fluid level. It should be above the tops of the plates inside the battery. If fluid is needed add distilled water, but do not over fill.
- Battery terminal connections should be tight. Adjust loose fittings or replace fittings that have cracked.

From now through December 31, AAA members can receive a free 36-point visual inspection and detailed inspection report at participating Approved Auto Repair facilities. To find a participating repair facility, call (800) 645-4288, extension 4, or visit www.aaa.com/freeinspection .

If your battery does give out, AAA may be able to save you a trip to the garage. Mobile AAA Battery Service uses state-of-the-art equipment to diagnose the battery's condition, and our technician can either charge your battery or install a new one on the spot. Batteries installed by AAA Battery Service are high quality, priced at a discount for members and come with a three-year replacement warranty. Visit www.aaa.com/battery for more information.

Apart from timely preventative maintenance, another way to save yourself car-related time and trouble is to skip long lines at the DMV and renew your vehicle registration at a nearby AAA office. Locate AAA offices near you that offer DMV services by visiting www.aaa.com/dmv.

Browning's New Maxus™ Semi-Automatic Shotgun - The Most Reliable, Softest Shooting Autoloader

Morgan, Utah- Since the introduction of the Auto-5 more than a century ago, Browning has been at the forefront of semi-auto shotgun design. For 2009 Browning continues this long tradition with the introduction of the all new Maxus™ autoloading shotgun. Several innovative technologies combine to make the Maxus deliver up to 18% less felt recoil for greater comfort, 44% less muzzle jump for more accurate follow-up shots, plus 19% faster bolt speed and 24% faster locktime than the nearest competitor.

Power Drive Gas System. The new Power Drive Gas System on the Maxus features a new gas piston design that has larger exhaust ports to dump gases faster on heavy loads. An all new patented, enclosed seal design keeps residue out of the action for cleaner operation. The piston has a 20% longer stroke travel to be even more reliable with light loads.

Inflex Technology Recoil Pad. Browning's new Inflex Technology recoil pad is the softest pad on any autoloader. More than a mass of recoil absorbing material, it has been engineered with directional deflection to pull the comb down and away from the face of the shooter with every shot for even greater comfort and faster follow-up shooting.

Lightning Trigger System. The new Lightning Trigger System featured on the Maxus is designed to offer a smooth, crisp feel with minimal travel. With locktimes averaging .0052 seconds, the Lightning Trigger is 24% faster than the nearest competing autoloader, making

every pull perfect. It is also easy to remove for cleaning.

Vector Pro Lengthened Forcing Cone. Vector Pro features extended forcing cones that are over 2" longer than other systems. The taper is much more gradual than the 5° industry specification for even less shot deformation resulting in more uniform and consistent patterns. The Vector Pro geometry completely eliminates any step or double taper between the chamber and bore.

Speed Lock Forearm. With the new Maxus, Browning engineers have eliminated the traditional bulky screw-on magazine cap and replaced it with the patent-pending Speed Lock Forearm. This secure forearm attachment system makes taking down the Maxus for cleaning or storage faster and easier than ever before, and makes attaching or removing a sling a snap. By simply lifting a lever, the forearm is easily removed.



Speed Load Plus.

Browning's new patent-pending

feeding system sends the first shell loaded into the magazine directly into the chamber. Now, unloading is just as easy with the Maxus. The speed unload feature makes emptying the magazine fast and easy, without having to cycle and chamber every shell with the bolt handle.

Turnkey Magazine Plug. The Maxus features the patent-pending Turnkey Magazine Plug that makes removing the plug simple by using any vehicle key. Combined with the Speed Lock System, the magazine plug can be removed from the Maxus in mere seconds.

The new Browning Maxus will be offered in 12 gauge only in 3" and 3 ½" models. The receiver is made of strong, lightweight aluminum alloy. The barrels have a lightweight profile design with flat ventilated rib. The composite stock has a close radius pistol grip with in-molded textured gripping and Browning's proven Dura-Touch® Armor Coating for a sure hold and sleek feel in all climate conditions. Average weight on the new Maxus is 6 lbs. 14 oz. The Browning Maxus comes equipped with a magazine cut-off to allow the shooter to easily unload the chamber to change loads without cycling a shell from the magazine. Browning Maxus Stalker

models Suggested Retail, \$1,199.00 in 3" and \$1,379.00 in 3 ½" with 26" or 28" barrels. The Maxus Mossy Oak® Duck Blind models Suggested Retail, \$1,339.00 in 3" and \$1,499.00 in 3 ½" with 26" or 28" barrels.

For more information on Browning products, please visit www.browning.com.

New Knife Series Marks 10th Anniversary of Case XX Select®

Bradford, Pennsylvania (October 22, 2008)- W.R. Case & Sons Cutlery Company is celebrating the 10th Anniversary of its Case XX Select brand with a new limited edition lineup

that includes nine exciting patterns with special features and handles made of the some of the most sought after materials. The 2008 Case XX Select 10th Anniversary Family includes a Rogers Jigged Tested Red Bone TrapperLock (6154L SS), a Rogers Jigged Mediterranean Blue Bone Mini CopperLock (61749L SS), an XX Prime Stag Sway Back Gent (TB51117 SS), a Rogers Jigged Bermuda Green Bone Small Stockman (6333 SS), a Smooth Gray Curly Zebra Wood Small Texas Toothpick (720096 SS), a Smooth Genuine Mother-of-Pearl Barlow (82009 ½ SS), a Mammoth Ivory Baby Butterbean (I2132 SS), a Genuine Snakewood Gunboat Canoe (7394 SS), and a Red Stag Cigar Whittler (R5391WH SS). Each is outfitted with Case Tru-Sharp™ surgical steel blades bearing a series signature tang stamp and a special “XX” shield on each handle. Case’s 2008 Case XX Select 10th Anniversary knives will be available only at designated Case Select Dealers beginning October, 2008.

All knives in the 10th Anniversary Case XX Select series feature common or cut swedged stainless steel blades that are saber-concave or flat, taper ground. Blades sport French or common nail marks, some with embellished or engraved artwork. The knives’ bolsters, liners, rivets, and shields are made of nickel silver.



The shape of the Case Select “XX” shield fitted into each of this year’s knife handles resembles that used on the introductory Case XX Select family back in 1998. Case has limited production of each of the Case XX Select patterns to just 500 pieces.

“Case XX Select knives are the embodiment of everything for which Case stands,” says John Sullivan, Director of Marketing at Case. “The extra effort...from the inspection of the knife parts to the careful assembly to the precision honing and, finally, the extra hand finishing. They demonstrate our commitment to hand-crafting and a never ending quest to make knives of the highest quality possible from within our factory in Bradford, PA.

The 2008 Case XX Select series is now shipping to Case Authorized Dealers nationwide.