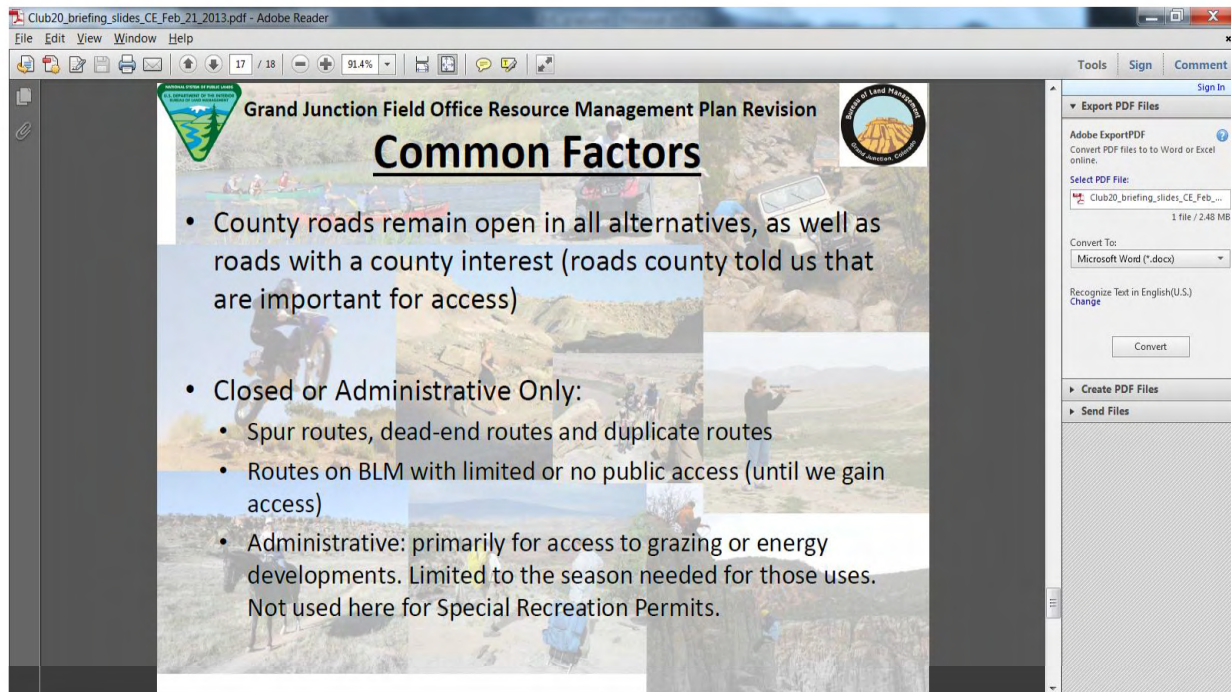


Slide 17, of the BLM's Club 20 Presentation in 2013



2010- Mesa County “adopts” 400 miles of Vested Interest Routes (VIR’s) during the scoping period of the BLM’s upcoming Draft Resource Management Plan (DRMP). These 400 miles of VIR’s were “adopted” without public notice, public comment or a public hearing.

2013- In reaction to the DRMP proposing to close 2180 miles of routes in the area, the Mesa County Commissioners work with the community to identify another 800+ miles of VIR’s. Ultimately these routes were submitted to BLM as only “Suggested” Vested Interest Routes.

In Colorado under CRS 43-2-110, there are specific procedures that the County Commissioners must follow when expanding the county road system. This is still yet to be done on the Mesa County Vested Interest Routes identified in 2010 and the Suggested VIRS in 2013. We are hoping to finish these routes adoptions to coincide with CRS 43-2-110 in 2014 before the BLM comes out with their Record of Decision regarding the DRMP.

This is important because it is the State that has jurisdiction on our legal ROW’s in Colorado. The state has appointed the Counties (BOCC’s) to manage the legal ROW’s in their respective counties. The County (not the BLM) is in charge of all rural ROW’s defined under CRS 43-2-210.