

**Summary**  
of the  
**Draft Environmental Impact Statement**  
for the  
**Northern Great Plains Management Plans Revision**  
**July 1999**

**Dakota Prairie Grasslands, including:**

Cedar River National Grassland  
Grand River National Grassland  
Little Missouri National Grassland  
Sheyenne National Grassland

**Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest, includes only:**

Thunder Basin National Grassland

**Nebraska National Forest and Associates Units, including:**

Bessey Ranger District  
Charles E. Bessey Tree Nursery  
Buffalo Gap National Grassland  
Fort Pierre National Grassland  
Samuel R. McKelvie National Forest  
Pine Ridge Ranger District  
Oglala National Grassland

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**Abstract:** The planning effort represented by the draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) is called the Northern Great Plains Management Plans Revision. Land and resource management plans have been prepared for each of the three participating administrative units. The DEIS provides environmental analyses for all three of the management plans. Furthermore, the DEIS documents the analysis of five alternatives developed in detail for possible management of the 2.9 million acres under administration of the USDA Forest Service on the Northern Great Plains. This DEIS has been prepared for public review pursuant to federal laws and regulations. The public has 90 days from the publishing of the Notice of Availability of the DEIS in the *Federal Register* to offer their comments. Comments should be sent to the Northern Great Plains Planning team at the above address.