Wilderness Management Distance Education Course
NRSM 406/563 Wilderness Management Planning (3 credits)

Registration Deadline: September 25, 2019
Course Dates: September 30, 2019 – January 17, 2020

Course credit offered through The University of Montana, Missoula, MT

This course explores basic planning theory, planning concepts, and effective plan writing. The course provides a thorough treatment of the elements that characterize effective planning on public lands. A substantial part of this discussion is the role of public participation in planning. It also discusses differences in planning among the four federal land management agencies, with a comparison of the philosophy and application of each.

Moving from planning to application, the course then provides examples of the Limits of Acceptable Change (LAC) framework and Keeping It Wild (KIW2), currently two of the most widely used planning processes in wilderness. This provides a model for identifying the elements necessary to provide a workable plan, one that is ultimately capable of being implemented. The role of indicators and standards of quality in wilderness is likewise discussed, as is the importance of executing a monitoring program.

To register:
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