



# Gunnison Field Office

The Gunnison Field Office (GFO) is responsible for the management and stewardship of more than 600,000 acres of public land in the upper Gunnison River Basin of southwestern Colorado. Collaborating with a number of public and private partners, GFO management and staff guide the protection and sustainable use of a wide variety of public resources. Ecosystems within the GFO range from dry sagebrush steppes at 7,000 feet; to forests of aspen, Ponderosa pine, Douglas fir, lodgepole pine, Englemann spruce, and subalpine fir; to alpine tundra meadows that reach to more than 14,000 feet.

## Facts

- 658,084 surface acres
- 2,215,336 subsurface acres
- 28 recreation sites (6 camping areas)
- 4 Recreation Management Areas: Alpine Triangle, Hartman Rocks, Cochetopa, and Powderhorn
- 3 Mountain peaks above 14,000 feet in elevation
- 2 Wilderness Areas (51,708 acres)
- 8 Wilderness Study Areas (67,353 acres)
- 3 Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways: The Alpine Loop, The Silver Thread and The West Elk Loop
- 190 miles of trails
- 180,000 acres of forest land
- 3 endangered, threatened, and candidate animal species
- 500,000 acres of small game habitat
- 585,000 acres of big game habitat
- 2,690 miles of streams and rivers
- 582,718 acres grazed by livestock on BLM lands