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Data from visitor use permits of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) managed rivers shows an increasing demand for river recreation. In 1999, researchers at Utah State University conducted a survey of river runners in order to provide BLM managers with information about boaters' river management preferences and help guide management decisions. The study focused on river segments that contain raftable whitewater and receive use from commercial rafting operators. Surveys were administered to private and commercial boaters on nine segments of the Colorado, Green, White, and San Juan Rivers.

The specific objectives were to:

1. update visitor use and experience related information;
2. collect economic expenditure data;
3. standardize visitor social and economic information for all river segments;
4. provide information useful for updating or developing BLM management plans for the selected rivers; and
5. gather data that could be relevant for future economic and community development strategies.

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- [Recreational Use, Value, and Experience of Boaters on Rivers Managed by the BLM in Utah \(Volume 1: Executive Summary\)](#)

- [Recreational Use, Value, and Experience of Boaters on Rivers Managed by the BLM in Utah \(Volume 2: Intercept Survey Results\)](#)
- [Recreational Use, Value, and Experience of Boaters on Rivers Managed by the BLM in Utah \(Volume 3: Mail Survey Results\)](#)
- [Recreational Use, Value, and Experience of Boaters on Rivers Managed by the BLM in Utah \(Volume 4: Perceptions of River Management Policy\)](#)
- [Recreational Use, Value, and Experience of Boaters on Rivers Managed by the BLM in Utah \(Volume 5: Analysis Papers\)](#)