



SAN JUAN COUNTY  
**LAND BANK**

Marta Branch  
Marine Resources Committee Coordinator  
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Dear Marta,

In reference to the Land Bank's application for grant funding to purchase the Dickinson property on Cascade Creek, I understand the MRC wants further clarification on the issue of public access should the project succeed.


As discussed in the application, we intend to open the property to the public for pedestrian use. The infrastructure of primitive roads and trails and the bridge crossing the creek make it fairly ideal for public access of this sort, and, as you likely know, the magnificence of the canyon is likely to spark a good deal of public enthusiasm for visiting.

On closing the transaction, the Land Bank will start our process to create a management plan for the site, both to preserve the important ecological resources and to determine exactly how we will provide for public access. Typically access questions revolve around establishing/improving infrastructure and determining use capacity, e.g., where cars might park, maintenance and possible rerouting of trails, transitioning roads to pedestrian access, etc.

Creation of our management plan will be a transparent public process and we will invite the community to help us determine a final plan for the site. We greatly look forward to working with everyone who wishes to participate.

I hope this addresses the concerns of the MRC. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely



Lincoln Bormann  
Director