COURSE NAME: Buffalo National River: the legal, political, economic, environmental and recreational issues of a National Park

CATALOG NUMBER: 8783B

PROFESSOR: John Ragsdale and, hopefully, Chris Hollman

ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITES: None

DESIRABLE PREREQUISITES: Love of the National Parks

COURSE BOOKS: A set of cases and readings will be prepared

METHOD OF GRADING & APPRAISAL OF STUDENT FOR GRADE: A 10-15 page paper on a topic to be agreed on by the professor and the student

SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF COURSE: The course will explore the legal, political, economic, social, environmental, recreational, and philosophical issues associated with the use, planning, management and preservation of an increasingly popular National Park.

COURSE CONTENT: The course will consist of a three hour classroom segment on Monday, the 24th of March, where readings, issues and a video will be preliminarily discussed, along with plans and logistics for the trip. The residency at the Buffalo (camping or concession cabins at Buffalo Point in the Park). Will begin Tuesday evening and extend through the day on Friday, the 28th, with a return to Kansas City that evening.

RELEVANCY OF COURSE FOR CAREER PURPOSES: May be useful or enjoyable for those with a career interest in public land use planning