



BLM GJFO Travel Plan Route Report

Route: A10

Segment: 841



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A10

Commenter Name: Shepherd, Janice

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0089

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A9 is mostly listed as "open" in Alt B, but there is a short segment that is marked Admin/Permitee which doesnt make sense. It is at approx. 12 671464 4375953. In that same area A10 should be shown as a short dead end route instead of looping back to A9.

Route: A107

Segment: 883



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A107

No public comments for this Route

Route: A111

☐ Segment: 480



Designation

Proposed Designation: Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Conflicts:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-highway vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A111

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Recommened: Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A31, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: No Record

Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

badly gouged by runoff near the top where it gets very steep. Perhaps it should be added to a list for consideration of fixing/rerouting/closing

Route: A113

Segment: 336



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed,

vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 338



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A113

No public comments for this Route

Route: A118

Segment: 439

Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe

erosion hazards.

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 341



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A118

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A124

Segment: 489

Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 491



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A124

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A125**

 **Segment: 490**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A125

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association

Submission Code: rmc0013

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it all.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photographic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261. A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A126

☰ Segment: 476



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

☰ Segment: 477



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A126

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A13**

 **Segment: 1002**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with Mancos Shale soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A13

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A130**

 **Segment: 627**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A130

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

 **Route: A134**

 **Segment: 1365**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A134

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A14**

 **Segment: 1489**

Designation



Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A14

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Route: A142

Segment: 1369



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1378

Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1399

Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 6584



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 6593



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A142

Commenter Name: Hundtroft,
Thomas

Organization: Bookcliff Rattlers

Submission Code: emc0693

Reccomended: Foot/Horse/Mechanized/Motorcycle

Access to private inholdings is restricted by making all of the routes administrative. Connecting motorcycle routes in the Moab FO have been reopened to motorcycles. Alternative D provides necessary access to inholdings and adjoining trails in Utah.

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A143

Segment: 6644



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A143

Commenter Name: Hundtroft,
Thomas

Organization: Bookcliff Rattlers

Submission Code: emc0693

Reccomended: Foot/Horse/Mechanized/Motorcycle

Access to private inholdings is restricted by making all of the routes administrative. Connecting motorcycle routes in the Moab FO have been reopened to motorcycles. Alternative D provides necessary access to inholdings and adjoining trails in Utah.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

 **Route: A144**

 **Segment: 1810**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Paleo Paleontological site Proximate (200m Buffer)
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A144

Commenter Name: Hundtroft,
Thomas

Organization: Bookcliff Rattlers

Submission Code: emc0693

Recommened: Foot/Horse/Mechanized/Motorcycle

Access to private inholdings is restricted by making all of the routes administrative. Connecting motorcycle routes in the Moab FO have been reopened to motorcycles. Alternative D provides necessary access to inholdings and adjoining trails in Utah.

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: No Record

Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record

Recommened: Closed

April of this year we came across two elk not far from here. This area should have a seasonal closing to motorized traffic to allow for spring elk habitat during the delicate birthing / migrating time.

Route: A146

Segment: 653



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Public Comments On Route: A146

No public comments for this Route

Route: A147

Segment: 638



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Public Comments On Route: A147

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve
Submission Code: rmc0013

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association
Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it all.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photographic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261. A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A148

Segment: 637



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Segment: 652



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Segment: 682



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Segment: 689

**Designation**

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale**Designation Criteria**

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Public Comments On Route: A148

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45;

144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Route: A149

Segment: 481

Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 6471



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A149

No public comments for this Route

Route: A15

Segment: 994



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1398



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1420



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1502



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Fragile soils
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Perennial Stream/Fishery
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1651



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1653



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1808



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

 **Segment: 6602**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

 **Segment: 6637**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A15

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association

Submission Code: rmc0013

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it

all.

Commenter Name: None Organization: WSATVA
 Submission Code: rmc0087 Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)
 Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Commenter Name: None Organization: WSATVA
 Submission Code: rmc0087 Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)
 Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photographic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261, A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

Commenter Name: Hundtroft, Thomas Organization: Bookcliff Rattlers
 Submission Code: emc0693 Reccomended: Foot/Horse/Mechanized/Motorcycle
 Access to private inholdings is restricted by making all of the routes administrative. Connecting motorcycle routes in the Moab FO have been reopened to motorcycles. Alternative D provides necessary access to inholdings and adjoining trails in Utah.

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife
 Submission Code: rmc0074 Reccomended: Admin/Permitted Use Only
 Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers, & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Route: A152

Segment: 199

Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A152

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: A157**☐ Segment: 331****Designation**

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale**Designation Criteria**

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A157

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A158**

 **Segment: 337**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

☐ Segment: 340



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A158

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: A161

☐ Segment: 323



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Conflicts:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-highway vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize ongoing or potential impacts to cultural resources that are eligible or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A161

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A163**

 **Segment: 309**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A163

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A164**

 **Segment: 6477**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A164

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association

Submission Code: rmc0013

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it all.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photograhpic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261, A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of

Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

☐ **Route: A165**

☐ **Segment: 470**

Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A165

No public comments for this Route

☐ **Route: A166**

☐ **Segment: 475**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A166

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association

Submission Code: rmc0013

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it all.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photograhpic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261, A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of

Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

 **Route: A167**

 **Segment: 474**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A167

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A169**

 **Segment: 482**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A169

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A173**

 **Segment: 360**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A173

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association

Submission Code: rmc0013

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it all.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photographic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261, A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

 **Route: A174**

 **Segment: 275**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

☐ Segment: 278



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A174

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

 **Route: A175**

 **Segment: 33554**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to protect shallow pipeline infrastructure, maintain administrative access (only) over pipeline facilities.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range study sites.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A175

Commenter Name: Shepherd, Janice

Submission Code: rmc0089

Organization:

Recommened: Admin/Permitted Use Only

There are roads to gas pads at 12 672367 4369832, 12 672478 4369819 and 12 671530 4369117 from

A175 that are missing from the inventory. The inventory is also missing two roads that lead to a gas pad at approximately 12 S 674022 4369972 from A175.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A176

Segment: 33555



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A176

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A177**

 **Segment: 33556**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A177

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A178**

 **Segment: 33557**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A178

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A179**

 **Segment: 33558**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
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- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A179

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A18**

 **Segment: 363**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

☐ Segment: 755



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

☐ Segment: 781



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A18

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association

Submission Code: rmc0013

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it all.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photographic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261, A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Route: A180

☐ Segment: 33559



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A180

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: A181

☐ Segment: 33561



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to protect shallow pipeline infrastructure, maintain administrative access (only) over pipeline facilities.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A181

No public comments for this Route

Route: A182

Segment: 33563



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
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- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A182

No public comments for this Route

Route: A183

Segment: 33564



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range study sites.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A183

No public comments for this Route

Route: A184

☐ Segment: 33566



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A184

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: A185

☐ Segment: 33569



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to protect shallow pipeline infrastructure, maintain administrative access (only) over pipeline facilities.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A185

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A186**

 **Segment: 33571**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A186

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A187**

 **Segment: 33572**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A187

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A188**

 **Segment: 33574**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to protect shallow pipeline infrastructure, maintain administrative access (only) over pipeline facilities.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A188

No public comments for this Route

Route: A189

☐ Segment: 334



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A189

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: A30

☐ Segment: 1367



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A30

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively

in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Route: A31

Segment: 1296



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream

crossings.

- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to protect shallow pipeline infrastructure, maintain administrative access (only) over pipeline facilities.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 6603



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A31

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Route: A32

Segment: 1297



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A32

No public comments for this Route

Route: A33

Segment: 1457

Designation



Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for

recreation.

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1470



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1506



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A33

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

 **Route: A34**

 **Segment: 1461**

Designation



Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1471



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A34

No public comments for this Route

Route: A40

Segment: 1281



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A40

No public comments for this Route

Route: A41

Segment: 1248



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A41

No public comments for this Route

Route: A42

Segment: 1368



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A42

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon
Submission Code: cfc0094

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club
Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO

planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Route: A45

Segment: 1526



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Mancos Shale areas

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1545



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1581



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1585



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A45

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A46

Segment: 1546



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A46

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A47**

 **Segment: 1527**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A47

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A48**

 **Segment: 1580**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or

significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Fragile soils
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A48

No public comments for this Route

Route: A49

Segment: 1530



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A49

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A50**

 **Segment: 1534**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with Mancos

Shale soils.

- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A50

No public comments for this Route

Route: A51

Segment: 268



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with Mancos Shale soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A51

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A52**

 **Segment: 1576**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize ongoing or potential impacts to cultural resources that are eligible or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 265



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro

- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with Mancos Shale soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Segment: 269



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

 **Segment: 1563**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A52

No public comments for this Route

Route: A53

Segment: 1408



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A53

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A54**

 **Segment: 6617**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A54

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A55**

 **Segment: 1382**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A55

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: A56

☐ Segment: 6604



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A56

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: A57

☐ Segment: 705



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Limited to Vehicles Under 50" wide

Public Comments On Route: A57

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Submission Code: cfc0094

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve

Submission Code: rmc0013

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it all.

Commenter Name: None

Submission Code: rmc0087

Organization: WSATVA

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photographic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261, A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

 **Route: A58**

 **Segment: 724**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 725



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A58

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A59

Segment: 349



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A59

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A62

Segment: 355



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A62

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A63**

 **Segment: 479**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

 **Segment: 485**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A63

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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 **Route: A64**

 **Segment: 347**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 354



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 357



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 358



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 530



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

 **Segment: 626**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
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- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 690



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A64

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

 **Route: A72**

 **Segment: 1334**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A72

No public comments for this Route

Route: A73

Segment: 1462



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A73

No public comments for this Route

Route: A74

Segment: 1509



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A74

No public comments for this Route

Route: A75

☐ Segment: 1441



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A75

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: A79

☐ Segment: 1512



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
- **Minimize Harassment:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
- **Minimize Conflicts:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-highway vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A79

No public comments for this Route

Route: A80

Segment: 1508



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

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Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Perennial Stream/Fishery
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to reduce point and non-point source contributions of water quality contaminants from public lands by reducing disturbance footprints associated with travel infrastructure and other surface disturbing actions while also maintaining access and meeting resource use objectives.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A80

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A81**

 **Segment: 1433**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
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- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range study sites.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A81

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A82**

 **Segment: 1425**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Known Cultural Site Visible or Nuisance
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A82

No public comments for this Route

Route: A86

Segment: 1654



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Mancos Shale areas
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range study sites.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A86

No public comments for this Route

Route: A87

☐ Segment: 1099



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to protect shallow pipeline infrastructure, maintain administrative access (only) over pipeline facilities.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Segment: 1100



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements

from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A87

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A88

Segment: 1123



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A88

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Route: A9

Segment: 839



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 842



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: A9

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0094

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone A should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes A: 142; 143; 30; 33; 42; 174; 175; 14; 15; 45; 144; 88; 9; 87; 63; 111; 63; 118; 125; 166; 164; 173; 147; 148; 57; 58; 59; 64; 130. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone A routes above. 2012, COHVCO- motorized recreational provides over 141 million in spending to the GJFO planning area and 214 jobs directly related to motorized rec. every year. 2012, Colorado Parks and Wildlife found hunting and fishing in Mesa and Garfield Counties resulted in \$130,520,000 annually and accounts for 1392 jobs.

Commenter Name: Chapel, Steve

Organization: Western Slope ATV Association

Submission Code: rmc0013

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A125,A166,A164, A173,A147,A57, A18,A9,A15 All of these routes should remain open. They are used by WSATVA members on club rides. There is again a lot of history in the area including the old railroad grade. A lot of great view points and again remote enough for the person that wants to get away from it all.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Prairie Canyon Road Loop Trail Numbers: K261, A15, A9, A57, A147, A173, A164, A166, A125. This set of trails is fun and enjoyable to ride. There is some 'Administrative Use' trails (A18, et al.) that need to be opened to enhance the riding experience.

Commenter Name: None

Organization: WSATVA

Submission Code: rmc0087

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Baxter Pass to Prairie Canyon This area is very photographic with historic sites and an old railroad grade. Trails: K261, A125, A166, A164, A173, A147, A57, A18, A9, and A15.

Commenter Name: Velarde, Ron

Organization: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Submission Code: rmc0074

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Road A111. This road is a heavily used OHV trail that follows a pipeline. Elk hunters use it extensively in hunting seasons. CPW request that this road stay OHV accessible and that it be designated as such in the proposed RMP Final EIS. Road A148. This road is important access for deer & elk hunters, it should remain open, or at the least OHV accessible. The route extends another 1/2 mile or so from where these maps show A148 ending. Road A9. This access road should be keep open to private land boundary. Alt. B & D are Open. Road A15. This road provides access to Rough Canyon; while the road slid years ago it has been accessible by dirt bikes only. CPW recommends that it remain open as Administrative use only. Roads A42, A30, A3I, and A142. All of these roads are very important access for mountain lion and bobcat hunters, and are also used by deer & elk hunters. CPW requests that all of them remain open to all motor vehicles year-round. Road A144. The road in Jim Canyon is an important access road for mountain lion hunters and bobcat trappers; CPW requests that the road remains open. Road A44. This road should remain open because it is important access for small game hunters, bobcat trappers. & deer hunters. Road A14. This road provides important access for small game and deer hunters, and also used

by bobcat trappers; it should remain open.

Commenter Name: Shepherd, Janice

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0089

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

A9 is mostly listed as "open" in Alt B, but there is a short segment that is marked Admin/Permitee which doesnt make sense. It is at approx. 12 671464 4375953. In that same area A10 should be shown as a short dead end route instead of looping back to A9.

Route: A94

Segment: 1083



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A94

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: A95**

 **Segment: 1082**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce

density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.

- Designation was considered to minimize ongoing or potential impacts to cultural resources that are eligible or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 1092



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- **Minimize Damage:** Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Not Meeting Public Land health Standard (1)
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard

- Vegetation Riparian (PFC) functioning at risk
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Does not meets Public Land Health Standard Hydro
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Utility corridor

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize ongoing or potential impacts to cultural resources that are eligible or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas not meeting Public Land Health 1.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce duplicative and redundant routes in riparian areas, especially those identified as not functioning or functioning at risk.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: A95

No public comments for this Route

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