



BLM GJFO Travel Plan Route Report

Route: D119

Segment: 984



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.
- **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 Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- 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 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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical

and environmental concern.

- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- 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): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: D119

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon
Submission Code: cfc0091

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

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone D should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

Route: D123

Segment: 6



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- Wildlife Wildlife Emphasis Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: 14



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

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- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 17



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

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Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 22



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- 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.
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Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 23



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

Rationale for Decision

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Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 25



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

Rationale for Decision

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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: 48



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

Rationale for Decision

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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: 58



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

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Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 69



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Range Study Site

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Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 84



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

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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: 112



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

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.
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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: 146



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Range Study Site

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: 521**



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

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)

Public Comments On Route: D123

Commenter Name: Barnard, Bill

Organization:

Submission Code: cfc0034

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Specifically, the road that we must have undisturbed use of to conduct our business is labeled D123. We access this road from Douglas Pass via the 4-A mountain road, also from Debeque via the left fork of Carr Creek Road labeled D131, from Rangely by coming up the Burma Road, and from the Piceance Creek Road by coming across the Square S.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone D should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

Route: D131

Segment: 310



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

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

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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- **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 ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III

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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.

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: 679



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Once Well is Abandoned
- 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.
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Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- 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: 680



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

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

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Lands and Realty Route through cooperative management parcel

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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes minimize fragmentation, and minimize direct impacts from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails on relic

vegetation communities and sensitive plant species.

- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.

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: D131

Commenter Name: Barnard, Bill

Submission Code: cfc0034

Organization:

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: D136

Segment: 21936



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 Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- 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.
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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: D136

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: D139

Segment: 880



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

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.

- **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 ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat

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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D139

No public comments for this Route

Route: D14

Segment: 965

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

- **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 Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- 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 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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)

Segment: 967



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

- **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

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- 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 fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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.

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: D14

No public comments for this Route

Route: D141

Segment: 856



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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.
- **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
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Perennial Stream/Fishery
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Wildlife Special Status Fish CR/GB Cutthroat
- 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 with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.

- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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.
- Designation was considered to reduce impact and protect watersheds containing pure populations of cutthroat trout.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.

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: 946



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Once Well is Abandoned
- 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.
- **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 Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- Wildlife Elk 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.
- 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 with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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 range study sites.

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: 949



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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.
- **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
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- Wildlife Elk 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.
- 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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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 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.

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: D141

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone D should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

☐ **Route: D149**

☐ **Segment: 662**



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.
- **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 Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Relic Vegetation
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- Range Development

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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes to minimize fragmentation, and minimize direct impacts from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails on relic vegetation communities.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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: D149

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone D should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

Route: D16

Segment: 1006



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

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.
- **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

- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- 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 fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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: D16

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: D161**

 **Segment: 76**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III

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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.

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: D161

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: D165**

 **Segment: 868**



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- Lands and Realty ROW

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 protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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)

Public Comments On Route: D165

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: D167**

 **Segment: 486**



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Lands and Realty ROW

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: 845



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site

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 protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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.

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: 859



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat

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 protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D167

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

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☐ **Route: D177**

☐ **Segment: 634**



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

- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Lands and Realty ROW

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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.

- 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: 659



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

- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- 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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- 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: D177

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone D should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

Route: D179

Segment: 13



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils

- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- 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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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 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): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: D179

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone D should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

 **Route: D181**

 **Segment: 123**

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 Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)

Rationale for Decision

- 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): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: D181

No public comments for this Route

Route: D182

Segment: 192

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 Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

- 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): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: D182

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone D should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

Route: D183

Segment: 301



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 ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

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: D183

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these routes (route segments) in Zone D should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

Route: D184

Segment: 183



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
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III

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: D184

No public comments for this Route

Route: D185

Segment: 191



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
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III

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: D185

No public comments for this Route

Route: D186

Segment: 448



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 ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III

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: D186

No public comments for this Route

Route: D187

Segment: 6444



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 III

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: D187

No public comments for this Route

Route: D20

Segment: 861



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- 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 protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 863



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat

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 protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: 939



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- Lands and Realty ROW

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 protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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: 1101



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- Lands and Realty ROW

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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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: 1144



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- 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 protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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): Open (All modes of travel)

Public Comments On Route: D20

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Submission Code: cfc0091

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes D: 177; 183; 182; 53; 131; 149; 70; 69; 59; 60; 61; 75; 119; 63; 64; 141; 66; 141; 66; 20; 167; 179; 123; 9; 4; 5; 136; and County Road 232. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone D routes above.

Route: D25

Segment: 906



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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.
- **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 ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- 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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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 reduce redundancies in routes to minimize habitat fragmentation, and minimize direct impacts from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails on listed species and in designated critical habitat for threatened and endangered plants.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

- Designation was considered to close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- 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: D25

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: D27**

 **Segment: 733**



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

- Special Designation ACEC
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- 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: D27

No public comments for this Route

Route: D33

Segment: 110



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.
- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through

sage brush parks.

- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D33

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: D37**

 **Segment: 149**

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.
- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D37

No public comments for this Route

Route: D38

Segment: 128



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.
- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: 134



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.
- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)

- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D38

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: D4**

 **Segment: 9**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: 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.
- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Wildlife Wildlife Emphasis 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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.
- 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): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: D4

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0091

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

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 **Route: D41**

 **Segment: 155**



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.
- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D41

No public comments for this Route

Route: D42

Segment: 144



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.
- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
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- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D42

No public comments for this Route

Route: D43

Segment: 115



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D43

No public comments for this Route

Route: D45

Segment: 181



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.
- **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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat

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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

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: D45

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: D5

☐ Segment: 12



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

- **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
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary Priority Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- 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 protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- Designation was considered to close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or greater Sage-Grouse lek.
- Designation was considered to protect greater sage grouse habitats by reducing routes through sage brush parks.
- Designation was considered to minimize fragmentation of sagebrush vegetation.

- 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 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): Open (All modes of travel)

Segment: 11



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

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