



BLM GJFO Travel Plan Route Report

Route: G109

Segment: 2314



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 6784



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
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G109

No public comments for this Route

Route: G113

Segment: 2295



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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.
- **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
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G113

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: G114

☐ Segment: 2269



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- 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

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- 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 maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 2274



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G114

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: G115

Segment: 2270



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

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threatened species and their habitats.

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 2272



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- 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

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G115

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G117**

 **Segment: 6775**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G117

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: G119

Segment: 2330



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

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
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G119

No public comments for this Route

Route: G120

Segment: 2391



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing

- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes to minimize habitat fragmentation and minimize direct impacts to listed plant species habitat; As well as occupied habitat from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to protect shallow pipeline infrastructure, maintain administrative access (only) over pipeline facilities.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 2350



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce as much as practicable route density (miles/square mile) within 200 meters of known Threatened and Endangered plant occurrences throughout the field office.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes to minimize habitat fragmentation and minimize direct impacts to listed plant species habitat; As well as occupied habitat from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails.
- 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 provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G120

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G125**

 **Segment: 1987**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G125

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G127**

 **Segment: 1972**



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

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

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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.

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Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 1994



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 1995



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

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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 VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

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Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 2018



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

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Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 2019



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 Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes to minimize habitat fragmentation and minimize direct impacts to listed plant species habitat; As well as occupied habitat from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails.
- 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 provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 2058



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 VRM Class II

- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce as much as practicable route density (miles/square mile) within 200 meters of known Threatened and Endangered plant occurrences throughout the field office.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes to minimize habitat fragmentation and minimize direct impacts to listed plant species habitat; As well as occupied habitat from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails.
- 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 provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 2127



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
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce as much as practicable route density (miles/square mile) within 200 meters of known Threatened and Endangered plant occurrences throughout the field office.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes to minimize habitat fragmentation and minimize direct impacts to listed plant species habitat; As well as occupied habitat from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails.
- 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 provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G127

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon
Submission Code: cfc0096

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

I feel strongly that these recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 244, 239, 229, 150, 6, 142, 114, 113, 117, 131, 127. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above. Additionally, in the State of Colorado routes that are built to provide access for mining and gas exploration are considered legal access routes for the public. I have identified some historically significant and high value recreation routes for me and my family. have used these routes since the mid 1990's. This area is located on or near South Shale Ridge in

Mesa County. Although 90% of the land in this area are public lands, the 10% of private land blocks nearly all the access routes. With the exception of the route that goes through the Bookcliff Wildhorse range, the route on South Shale Ridge (Spear Hunter Access Road) is the only other large motorized route open to the public. These routes provide excellent camping and recreation opportunities and do not impact the area's environment. Also, it is a good spring turkey hunting area. The BLM wishes to close the area in the spring and this would ruin a long-time spring turkey hunting family tradition for us. The deer do not fawn in this area at a significant level as the areas private ranches (hay fields) offer much better conditions for fawning than the pinyon juniper covered public lands.

Route: G128

Segment: 2089



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce as much as practicable route density (miles/square mile) within 200 meters of known Threatened and Endangered plant occurrences throughout the field office.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes to minimize habitat fragmentation and minimize direct impacts to listed plant species habitat; As well as occupied habitat from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails.
- 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 provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G128

No public comments for this Route

Route: G13

Segment: 1392



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 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: 1668



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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 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)

Segment: 1220



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation:

Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Spring Closure 1 (Sage Grouse)

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 VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Preliminary General Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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 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: G13

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public. These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Route: G131

Segment: 2109



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2126



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance

for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2196



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2201



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

☰ Segment: 2202



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Special Status Species plants for campsites

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

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

☰ Segment: 2254



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2255



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2256



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing

- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2304



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2329



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2354



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 2373



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

 **Segment: 6748**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 6750



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Public Comments On Route: G131

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 244, 239, 229, 150, 6, 142, 114, 113, 117, 131, 127. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above. Additionally, in the State of Colorado routes that are built to provide access for mining and gas exploration are considered legal access routes for the public. I have identified some historically significant and high value recreation routes for me and my family. have used these routes since the mid 1990's. This area is located on or near South Shale Ridge in Mesa County. Although 90% of the land in this area are public lands, the 10% of private land blocks nearly all the access routes. With the exception of the route that go through the Bookcliff Wildhorse range, the route on South Shale Ridge (Spear Hunter Access Road) is the only other large motorized route open to the public. These routes provide excellent camping and recreation opportunities and do not impact the areas environment. Also it is a good spring turkey hunting area. The BLM wishes to close the area in the spring and this would ruin a long time spring turkey hunting family tradition for us. The deer do not fawn in this area at a significant level as the areas private ranches (hay fields) offer much better conditions for fawning than the pinyon juniper covered public lands.

 **Route: G132**

 **Segment: 2305**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Drainage Crossing
- Special Status Species plants for campsites

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations during critical periods.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Public Comments On Route: G132

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G136**

 **Segment: 6751**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None
Mitigation

- Maintenance

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Public Comments On Route: G136

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G142**

 **Segment: 297**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2427



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- 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

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2453



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2493



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

☰ Segment: 2511



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

☰ Segment: 2661



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 2664**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2669



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2685



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Paleo Paleontological site In or Through
- Paleo Paleontological site Proximate (200m Buffer)
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

- Water Stream Crossing
- 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 reduce ongoing damage to known paleontological sites, close routes that are inside or pass through sensitive paleontological sites, or identify mitigation necessary to protect sites.
- Designation was considered to reduce the potential for vandalism or collection of paleontological sites and reduce the number of routes in proximity to known paleontological localities.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range study sites.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G142

Commenter Name: Cox, Tom

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0008

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Some of these roads are as follows G142, G148, G150, G50, G368, and G377. All of these roads are used for the cattle and hunting businesses. It would be very detrimental to us if any of these roads were closed.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 244, 239, 229, 150, 6, 142, 114, 113, 117, 131, 127. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above. Additionally, in the State of Colorado routes that are built to provide access for mining and gas exploration are considered legal access routes for the public. I have identified some historically significant and high value recreation routes for me and my family. have used these routes since the mid 1990's. This area is located on or near South Shale Ridge in

Mesa County. Although 90% of the land in this area are public lands, the 10% of private land blocks nearly all the access routes. With the exception of the route that goes through the Bookcliff Wildhorse range, the route on South Shale Ridge (Spear Hunter Access Road) is the only other large motorized route open to the public. These routes provide excellent camping and recreation opportunities and do not impact the area's environment. Also it is a good spring turkey hunting area. The BLM wishes to close the area in the spring and this would ruin a long time spring turkey hunting family tradition for us. The deer do not fawn in this area at a significant level as the areas private ranches (hay fields) offer much better conditions for fawning than the pinyon juniper covered public lands.

Commenter Name: McClellan, Roz Organization: Rocky Mountain Recreation Initiative

Submission Code: emc0846 Recommended: Closed

Zone G South Shale Ridge Close G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52

Commenter Name: No Record Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record Recommended: Open (All modes of travel)

[Trails Preservation Alliance - www.coloradotpa.org][Subject: Combined input to the BLM RMP, from the TPA and COHVC.] Map G: Most of the routes north of South Shale Ridge are inaccessible to the public. For a variety of reasons the private land owners have found ways to block public access to this large area. We hope GJFO will prioritize the restoration of public access to this area in the RMP. (specifically G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52)

Route: G144

Segment: 2567



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
- Paleo Paleontological site Proximate (200m Buffer)
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

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 reduce ongoing damage to known paleontological sites, close routes that are inside or pass through sensitive paleontological sites, or identify mitigation necessary to protect sites.
- Designation was considered to reduce the potential for vandalism or collection of paleontological sites and reduce the number of routes in proximity to known paleontological localities.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G144

No public comments for this Route

Route: G146

Segment: 2671

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
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G146

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G148**

 **Segment: 2375**



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

Rationale for Decision

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

erosion hazards.

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2428



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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G148

Commenter Name: Cox, Tom

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0008

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Some of these roads are as follows G142, G148, G150, G50, G368, and G377. All of these roads are used for the cattle and hunting businesses. It would be very detrimental to us if any of these roads were closed.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G149

Segment: 2376



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

Rationale for Decision

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

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G149

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G150**

 **Segment: 287**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2387



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2386



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

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G150

Commenter Name: Cox, Tom

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0008

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Some of these roads are as follows G142, G148, G150, G50, G368, and G377. All of these roads are used for the cattle and hunting businesses. It would be very detrimental to us if any of these roads were closed.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 244, 239, 229, 150, 6, 142, 114, 113, 117, 131, 127. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above. Additionally, in the State of Colorado routes that are built to provide access for mining and gas exploration are considered legal access routes for the public. I have identified some historically significant and high value recreation routes for me and my family. have used these routes since the mid 1990's. This area is located on or near South Shale Ridge in Mesa County. Although 90% of the land in this area are public lands, the 10% of private land blocks nearly all the access routes. With the exception of the route that go through the Bookcliff Wildhorse range, the route on South Shale Ridge (Spear Hunter Access Road) is the only other large motorized route open to the public. These routes provide excellent camping and recreation opportunities and do not impact the areas environment. Also it is a good spring turkey hunting area. The BLM wishes to close the area in the spring and this would ruin a long time spring turkey hunting family tradition for us. The deer do not fawn in this area at a significant level as the areas private ranches (hay fields) offer much better conditions for fawning than the pinyon juniper covered public lands.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G154

Segment: 2432



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G154

No public comments for this Route

Route: G158

Segment: 2510

Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G158

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G16**

 **Segment: 6592**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty Route through disposal parcel

Rationale for Decision

- 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: G16

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G161**

 **Segment: 6871**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G161

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G162**

 **Segment: 3494**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G162

No public comments for this Route

Route: G163

Segment: 6870



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Public Comments On Route: G163

No public comments for this Route

Route: G164

Segment: 3393



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G164

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: G166

Segment: 3263



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Route will remain open to accommodate camping access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G166

No public comments for this Route

Route: G167

Segment: 21927



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Route will remain open to accommodate camping access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 427**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- Drainage Crossing

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G167

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G168

Segment: 589

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

suitability.

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G168

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G174**

 **Segment: 2946**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Paleo Paleontological site Proximate (200m Buffer)
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to reduce ongoing damage to known paleontological sites, close routes that are inside or pass through sensitive paleontological sites, or identify mitigation necessary to protect sites.
- Designation was considered to reduce the potential for vandalism or collection of paleontological sites and reduce the number of routes in proximity to known paleontological localities.
- Designation was considered to protect shallow pipeline infrastructure, maintain administrative access (only) over pipeline facilities.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G174

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G175**

 **Segment: 571**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G175

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G176**

 **Segment: 2941**

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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Paleo Paleontological site Proximate (200m Buffer)
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way,

other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Segment: 2968



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Paleo Paleontological site Proximate (200m Buffer)
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

☰ Segment: 3022



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

☰ Segment: 3122



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Segment: 3275



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Lands and Realty ROW

- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Segment: 3392



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Segment: 3489



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Segment: 3783



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Paleo Paleontological site In or Through
- Paleo Paleontological site Proximate (200m Buffer)
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Lands and Realty ROW
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Public Comments On Route: G176

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G178**

 **Segment: 3434**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Needs More Data

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 VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G178

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

 **Route: G181**

 **Segment: 3381**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Winter Closure

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G181

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G183**

 **Segment: 3323**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Winter Closure

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G183

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G184**

 **Segment: 3322**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G184

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G188**

 **Segment: 6848**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G188

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G19

Segment: 6596



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Paleo Paleontological site Proximate (200m Buffer)
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize 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 reduce ongoing damage to known paleontological sites, close routes that are inside or pass through sensitive paleontological sites, or identify mitigation necessary to protect sites.

- Designation was considered to reduce the potential for vandalism or collection of paleontological sites and reduce the number of routes in proximity to known paleontological localities.
- 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: G19

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G190**

 **Segment: 3114**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3117



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to rights-of-way, other land use authorizations, and utility corridors.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G190

No public comments for this Route

Route: G191

Segment: 3113



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Select route of two that serves better camping access (G191, G193)

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- 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): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G191

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G192**

 **Segment: 3151**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G192

No public comments for this Route

Route: G193

Segment: 3150

Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Select route of two that serves better camping access (G191, G193)

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G193

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: G194

Segment: 3180



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 6852



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3181



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Public Comments On Route: G194

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

 **Route: G195**

 **Segment: 3355**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 3361**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.
- 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): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G195

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G198**

 **Segment: 3258**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 3295



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G198

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G199**

 **Segment: 3293**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G199

No public comments for this Route

Route: G202

Segment: 3309



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

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

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G202

Commenter Name: McClellan, Roz Organization: Rocky Mountain Recreation Initiative

Submission Code: emc0846 Reccomended: Closed

Zone G South Shale Ridge Close G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088 Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: No Record Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

[Trails Preservation Alliance - www.coloradotpa.org][Subject: Combined input to the BLM RMP, from the TPA and COHVCO.] Map G: Most of the routes north of South Shale Ridge are inaccessible to the public. For a variety of reasons the private land owners have found ways to block public access to this large area. We hope GJFO will prioritize the restoration of public access to this area in the RMP.

(specifically G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52)

Route: G209

Segment: 3220



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

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: G209

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G210**

 **Segment: 584**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G210

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G211**

 **Segment: 585**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G211

No public comments for this Route

Route: G213

Segment: 3311

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute

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
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G213

No public comments for this Route

Route: G215

Segment: 3310

Designation



Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation ACEC

- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G215

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G217**

 **Segment: 3288**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

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

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G217

No public comments for this Route

Route: G219

Segment: 3291



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

and environmental concern.

- 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): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G219

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G221**

 **Segment: 2947**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G221

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G223**

 **Segment: 2975**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to provide access to undeveloped campsites that exist along dead-end spur roads.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Winter Closure

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2981



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Winter Closure

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G223

No public comments for this Route

Route: G226

Segment: 6791



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned
- Potential weeds mitigation

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.

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: 6795



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Once Well is Abandoned
- Potential weeds mitigation

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G226

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G228**

 **Segment: 2402**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

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): Closed

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

Segment: 2407



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

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): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G228

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G229**

 **Segment: 3547**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range study sites.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G229

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 244, 239, 229, 150, 6, 142, 114, 113, 117, 131, 127. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above. Additionally, in the State of Colorado routes that are built to provide access for mining and gas exploration are considered legal access routes for the public. I have identified some historically significant and high value recreation routes for me and my family. have used these routes since the mid 1990's. This area is located on or near South Shale Ridge in Mesa County. Although 90% of the land in this area are public lands, the 10% of private land blocks nearly all the access routes. With the exception of the route that go through the Bookcliff Wildhorse range, the route on South Shale Ridge (Spear Hunter Access Road) is the only other large motorized route open to the public. These routes provide excellent camping and recreation opportunities and do not impact the areas environment. Also it is a good spring turkey hunting area. The BLM wishes to close the area in the spring and this would ruin a long time spring turkey hunting family tradition for us. The deer do not fawn in this area at a significant level as the areas private ranches (hay fields) offer much better conditions for fawning than the pinyon juniper covered public lands.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Etcheverry, Paul

Organization:

Submission Code: cfc0212

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

G 229 remain open I have traveled all of the open roads with father and now on my ATV. Can't walk much any more. I am 70 years old.

Route: G23

Segment: 1421

Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- 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: 1423



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- 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: G23

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G231**

 **Segment: 3436**

Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 3438**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to 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): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G231

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G232**

 **Segment: 3429**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G232

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G234**

 **Segment: 3070**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data

- Provide hunting access with mitigation to wildlife concerns

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

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Segment: 3157



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Provide hunting access with mitigation to wildlife concerns

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

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to 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): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G234

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

 **Route: G237**

 **Segment: 3423**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 6877**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 3424



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G237

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G239

Segment: 3153

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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3327



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3331



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3337



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3341



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G239

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 244, 239, 229, 150, 6, 142, 114, 113, 117, 131, 127. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above. Additionally, in the State of Colorado routes that are built to provide access for mining and gas exploration are considered legal access routes for the public. I have identified some historically significant and high value recreation routes for me and my family. have used these routes since the mid 1990's. This area is located on or near South Shale Ridge in Mesa County. Although 90% of the land in this area are public lands, the 10% of private land blocks nearly all the access routes. With the exception of the route that go through the Bookcliff Wildhorse range, the route on South Shale Ridge (Spear Hunter Access Road) is the only other large motorized route open to the public. These routes provide excellent camping and recreation opportunities and do not impact the areas environment. Also it is a good spring turkey hunting area. The BLM wishes to close the area in the spring and this would ruin a long time spring turkey hunting family tradition for us. The deer do not fawn in this area at a significant level as the areas private ranches (hay fields) offer much better conditions for fawning than the pinyon juniper covered public lands.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open

to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G243

Segment: 3504

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 II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G243

No public comments for this Route

Route: G244

Segment: 2914



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

☐ Segment: 2982



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 2986



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3211



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3238



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3289



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3292



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3297



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3298



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3348



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3352



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

 **Segment: 3380**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3430



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3453



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3457



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 6855



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 6858



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

☐ Segment: 6863



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

☐ Segment: 3176



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Needs More Data

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 6846



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Needs More Data

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 6853



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Needs More Data

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to protect and maintain unique ecological values in areas of critical and environmental concern.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Segment: 3340



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain public access to areas identified as important for recreation.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range

improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3499



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

☐ Segment: 3561



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

☐ Segment: 3562



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance

- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 3576**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 3590



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

recreation.

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 3607



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 6874



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Segment: 6875



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

 **Segment: 6906**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2433



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Segment: 2445



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Segment: 6460



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
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Public Comments On Route: G244

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0096

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 244, 239, 229, 150, 6, 142, 114, 113, 117, 131, 127. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above. Additionally, in the State of Colorado routes that are built to provide access for mining and gas exploration are considered legal access routes for the public. I have identified some historically significant and high value recreation routes for me and my family. have used these routes since the mid 1990's. This area is located on or near South Shale Ridge in Mesa County. Although 90% of the land in this area are public lands, the 10% of private land blocks nearly all the access routes. With the exception of the route that go through the Bookcliff Wildhorse range, the route on South Shale Ridge (Spear Hunter Access Road) is the only other large motorized route open to the public. These routes provide excellent camping and recreation opportunities and do not impact the areas environment. Also it is a good spring turkey hunting area. The BLM wishes to close the area in the spring and this would ruin a long time spring turkey hunting family tradition for us. The deer do not fawn in this area at a significant level as the areas private ranches (hay fields) offer much better conditions for fawning than the pinyon juniper covered public lands.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open

to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

☐ Route: G246

☐ Segment: 3439



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Maintenance
- If slump fails, close or reroute

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G246

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: G25

☰ Segment: 558



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 VRM Class II
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- 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 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): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G25

No public comments for this Route

☰ Route: G252

☐ Segment: 3435



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G252

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: G253

☐ Segment: 3456



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Fence springs

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G253

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G254**

 **Segment: 3468**



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
- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Winter Closure

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G254

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G256**

 **Segment: 3294**



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 VRM Class III
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to improve or maintain public access.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

Alternative C (Conservation): Open (All modes of travel), Spring Closure 2 (Soils)

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

Public Comments On Route: G256

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G26**

 **Segment: 281**



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

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

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: 1554**



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

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

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: 2152



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

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

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: 2153



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

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

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: 6636



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- 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 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: 257



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

- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

☐ Segment: 266



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Designated Critical 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 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.

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: 276



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Designated Critical 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 slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- 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 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.

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: 1535



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

- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 1577



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

- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 1582



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

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

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: 1602



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 Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Designated Critical 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 slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to 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.

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: 552**



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Designated Critical 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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

☐ Segment: 1600



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Designated Critical 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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 1522



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: 1524



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

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: 1583



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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: G26

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: McClellan, Roz Organization: Rocky Mountain Recreation Initiative

Submission Code: emc0846

Recommened: Closed

Zone G South Shale Ridge Close G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52

Commenter Name: No Record

Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

[Trails Preservation Alliance - www.coloradotpa.org][Subject: Combined input to the BLM RMP, from the TPA and COHVC0.] Map G: Most of the routes north of South Shale Ridge are inaccessible to the public. For a variety of reasons the private land owners have found ways to block public access to this large area. We hope GJFO will prioritize the restoration of public access to this area in the RMP.

(specifically G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52)

Route: G262

Segment: 590



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Route will remain open to accommodate camping access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G262

No public comments for this Route

Route: G263

Segment: 1405



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G263

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G264

☐ Segment: 1696



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Potential spring mitigation

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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

☐ Segment: 6665



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Potential spring mitigation

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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

 **Segment: 6666**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Drainage Crossing
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Potential spring mitigation

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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- 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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G264

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Submission Code: cfc0097

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

In 2011, I reported two possibly illegal two track motorized routes built on BLM lands in Zone G, near/on Kimball Creek to the Grand Junction BLM office. The routes are now identified on the BLM Zone G route map as G264 and G287. The routes were investigated and there should be a report on file by Ranger Elliott Hinckley. 1. Route G264 cuts through one of the few pristine aspen covered drainages in this area. The aspen trees actually look healthy, which is not the norm in the area. The route is very vertical and dangerous when it nears route G13. Since this area is currently open to cross country travel and no evidence of heavy machinery use was evident, this is actually a legal route. 2. Route G287 was built with heavy machinery within the past 5-7 years. It was built on very vertical terrain as well. It was built because the old route washed out as the grade was too severe. Since this area is only accessible by foot for the general public, it can be assumed that private land owners illegally built the route with heavy machinery. This would be an illegal route. What I find odd about Route G287 on Alternative A of the DRMP, is that the BLM has it currently open to the public as a motorized route. That is not accurate; it's an illegally constructed route. Historical BLM maps do no show this route, the BLM agreed with me that it was built illegally and now the BLM has added it to their road inventory in all 4 Alternatives?

This behavior by the BLM may encourage more private land owners to build routes illegally on our public lands. If the BLM is going to add G 287 to their road inventory then it should be left open for public motorized use. It is my intent to reopen this entire region by way of Kimball Creek Road or South Dry Fork Road. The public access to this area was illegally closed by private land owners in the 70's and 80's.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G266

Segment: 392



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Drainage Crossing
- 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

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

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: G266

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G267**

 **Segment: 1465**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- 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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range

improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G267

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G269**

 **Segment: 1353**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- 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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- 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)

Public Comments On Route: G269

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G276**

 **Segment: 1257**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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 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: G276

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G277**

 **Segment: 6588**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G277

No public comments for this Route

Route: G281

Segment: 1448



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G281

No public comments for this Route

Route: G282

Segment: 1432



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G282

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G283**

 **Segment: 244**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)

- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G283

No public comments for this Route

Route: G285

Segment: 1753



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G285

No public comments for this Route

Route: G286

Segment: 1780



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G286

No public comments for this Route

Route: G287

Segment: 1802



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G287

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

In 2011, I reported two possibly illegal two track motorized routes built on BLM lands in Zone G, near/on Kimball Creek to the Grand Junction BLM office. The routes are now identified on the BLM Zone G route map as G264 and G287. The routes were investigated and there should be a report on file by Ranger Elliott Hinckley. 1. Route G264 cuts through one of the few pristine aspen covered drainages in this area. The aspen trees actually look healthy, which is not the norm in the area. The route is very vertical and dangerous when it nears route G13. Since this area is currently open to cross country travel and no evidence of heavy machinery use was evident, this is actually a legal route. 2. Route G287 was built with heavy machinery within the past 5-7 years. It was built on very vertical terrain as well. It was built because the old route washed out as the grade was too severe. Since this area is only accessible by foot for the general public, it can be assumed that private land owners illegally built the route with heavy machinery. This would be an illegal route. What I find odd about Route G287 on Alternative A of the DRMP, is that the BLM has it currently open to the public as a motorized route. That is not accurate; it's an illegally constructed route. Historical BLM maps do no show this route, the BLM agreed with me that it was built illegally and now the BLM has added it to their road inventory in all 4 Alternatives? This behavior by the BLM may encourage more private land owners to build routes illegally on our public lands. If the BLM is going to add G 287 to their road inventory then it should be left open for public motorized use. It is my intent to reopen this entire region by way of Kimball Creek Road or South Dry Fork Road. The public access to this area was illegally closed by private land owners in the 70's and 80's.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

 **Route: G288**

 **Segment: 1797**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G288

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G289**

 **Segment: 1796**

Designation



Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G289

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G29**

 **Segment: 567**



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

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Study Site

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 in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to 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: 1620



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

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- 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 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: 6733



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

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

Rationale for Decision

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

crossings.

- Designation was considered to 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 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)

Public Comments On Route: G29

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public. These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Route: G290

Segment: 1752

Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G290

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G291**

 **Segment: 1762**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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 slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G291

No public comments for this Route

Route: G292

Segment: 1789



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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 slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G292

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G293**

 **Segment: 1787**

Designation



Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G293

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G294**

 **Segment: 1751**

Designation



Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G294

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G295**

 **Segment: 1779**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G295

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G296**

 **Segment: 1788**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G296

No public comments for this Route

Route: G297

Segment: 1801



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G297

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G298**

 **Segment: 1790**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Maintenance
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Select appropriate access route, access through private

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Public Comments On Route: G298

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: G299

☐ Segment: 1521



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

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

☐ Segment: 1559



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

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

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: 1560



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

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

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: 6627



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

- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 1523



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: G299

No public comments for this Route

Route: G300

Segment: 1562



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G300

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

 **Route: G301**

 **Segment: 1567**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- 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 maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G301

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G302**

 **Segment: 1538**



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G302

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G303**

 **Segment: 1498**

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 VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G303

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G304**

 **Segment: 1490**

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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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 slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G304

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G307**

 **Segment: 1476**

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

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G307

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G308**

 **Segment: 252**

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
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G308

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G309**

 **Segment: 250**

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
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G309

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G31**

 **Segment: 1658**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Right of Way

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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.

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: G31

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G310**

 **Segment: 242**



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
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G310

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G311**

 **Segment: 1518**



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

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

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: G311

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G312**

 **Segment: 1555**



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

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

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: G312

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G313**

 **Segment: 1513**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G313

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G314**

 **Segment: 1557**



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

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

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: G314

No public comments for this Route

Route: G316

Segment: 6628

Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

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: G316

No public comments for this Route

Route: G317

Segment: 6622



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G317

No public comments for this Route

Route: G318

Segment: 270



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: G318

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G319**

 **Segment: 6634**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: G319

No public comments for this Route

Route: G32

Segment: 1660



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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 Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- 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 maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G32

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G320**

 **Segment: 1569**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: G320

No public comments for this Route

Route: G322

Segment: 1473

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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 1516

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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G322

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G323**

 **Segment: 1444**



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 1472



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G323

No public comments for this Route

Route: G324

Segment: 1514



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

- No Rationale for the this designation.

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: G324

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: G325

☐ Segment: 1474



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G325

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: G326

☐ Segment: 258



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 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.

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: G326

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G327**

 **Segment: 255**



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)

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.

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: G327

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G328**

 **Segment: 259**



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)

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.

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: G328

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G329**

 **Segment: 262**

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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)

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.

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: G329

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G330**

 **Segment: 1482**

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

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

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: G330

No public comments for this Route

Route: G331

Segment: 1481

Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G331

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G332**

 **Segment: 1440**



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 1478**



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 1480**



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 VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G332

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G333**

 **Segment: 380**

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 Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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 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: G333

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G334**

 **Segment: 1633**



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- 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 maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to 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 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: G334

No public comments for this Route

Route: G335

☐ Segment: 1596



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 Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Vegetation Designated Critical Habitat
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G335

No public comments for this Route

Route: G336

Segment: 1625



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

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
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

☐ Segment: 1626



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

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

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

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: G336

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: G337

☐ Segment: 1629



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Closed

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

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

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: G337

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G338**

 **Segment: 1748**



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 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.

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: 1898



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 VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G338

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public.

These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G339

Segment: 1750



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 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.

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: G339

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G340**

 **Segment: 1743**

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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- 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 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 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: 1912



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

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

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

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: G340

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public.

These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G341

Segment: 1728



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 VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

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: 1744



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

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

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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: G341

No public comments for this Route

Route: G342

Segment: 1989



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 Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G342

No public comments for this Route

Route: G343

Segment: 2040



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 Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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 slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G343

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G344**

 **Segment: 2054**



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
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G344

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G345**

 **Segment: 1986**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- 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 maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G345

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G346**

 **Segment: 1817**



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
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 1818**



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
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 1909



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
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 1947



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2010



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 2022**



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 6713



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
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

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

- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G346

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G347**

 **Segment: 2011**

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

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G347

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G348**

 **Segment: 1935**

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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

 **Segment: 1948**



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G348

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G349**

 **Segment: 1952**



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

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G349

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G350**

 **Segment: 2108**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G350

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G351**

 **Segment: 2001**

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

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2173



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

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G351

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G353**

 **Segment: 2150**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G353

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G354**

☐ Segment: 6736



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G354

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: G355

☐ Segment: 6742



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G355

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G356**

 **Segment: 2075**

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 VRM Class III
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2112



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 VRM Class III
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G356

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G357**

 **Segment: 2154**



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 6738



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G357

No public comments for this Route

Route: G358

☐ Segment: 6739



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G358

No public comments for this Route

☐ Route: G359

☐ Segment: 2142



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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G359

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G360**

 **Segment: 2158**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G360

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G361**

 **Segment: 2132**

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 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G361

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G362**

 **Segment: 2061**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G362

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G363**

 **Segment: 2113**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G363

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G364**

 **Segment: 2784**



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.
- **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
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.

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: G364

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G368**

 **Segment: 2786**



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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to 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.

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: 2839



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.
- **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
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only**Public Comments On Route: G368**

Commenter Name: Cox, Tom

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0008

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Some of these roads are as follows G142, G148, G150, G50, G368, and G377. All of these roads are used for the cattle and hunting businesses. It would be very detrimental to us if any of these roads were closed.

Route: G37**Segment: 1704****Designation**

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- 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 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 provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range study sites.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range

improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G37

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G371**

 **Segment: 2486**



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 VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream

crossings.

- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G371

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G372**

 **Segment: 2403**



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

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G372

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G373**

 **Segment: 2405**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G373

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G374**

 **Segment: 2406**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G374

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G375**

 **Segment: 2408**



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

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G375

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G376**

 **Segment: 2488**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G376

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G377**

 **Segment: 2701**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Public Comments On Route: G377

Commenter Name: Cox, Tom

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0008

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Some of these roads are as follows G142, G148, G150, G50, G368, and G377. All of these roads are used for the cattle and hunting businesses. It would be very detrimental to us if any of these roads were closed.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G38

Segment: 6674



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors

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.

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: G38

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G380**

 **Segment: 2392**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

 **Segment: 2398**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: G380

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G381**

 **Segment: 2465**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G381

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

 **Route: G382**

 **Segment: 2464**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II

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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Segment: 2476



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics

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

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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G382

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G383**

 **Segment: 2290**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G383

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G384**

 **Segment: 2140**



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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G384

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Route: G385

Segment: 23407



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation:

Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

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

- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- 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 eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to 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 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: G385

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G40**

 **Segment: 1965**

Designation



Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Federally Listed vegetation species proximate (200m)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize ongoing or potential impacts to cultural resources that are eligible or potentially eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.
- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce redundancies in routes to minimize habitat fragmentation and minimize direct impacts to listed plant species habitat; As well as occupied habitat from motorized and mechanized users of roads, routes and trails.
- 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: G40

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G41**

 **Segment: 1920**



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

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: 1928



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce 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 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: 2064



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 Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

- 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 slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to 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: 6734



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 Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)

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.

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: 1496



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation:

Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Spring Closure 3 (Elk Calving)

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Special Status Species plants

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 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.

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: 1537



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation:

Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Spring Closure 3 (Elk Calving)

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Special Status Species plants

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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

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: 1568



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation:

Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Spring Closure 3 (Elk Calving)

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Special Status Species plants

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 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.

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: 1579



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation:

Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Spring Closure 3 (Elk Calving)

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Special Status Species plants

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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- 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 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 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: 1774



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation:

Seasonal Limitations: Spring Closure 3 (Elk Calving)

Open (All modes of travel)

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Needs More Data
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Special Status Species plants

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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- 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 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 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: 1484



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Need survey Special Status Species plants

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

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.

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: 1519



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Need survey Special Status Species plants

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
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- 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 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 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: 1525



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Needs More Data
- Work with Land Owner on Public Access
- Need survey Special Status Species plants

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
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

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: G41

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon
Submission Code: cfc0088

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

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public.

These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Route: G43

Segment: 2135



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

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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 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: 2200



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 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.

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: 2068



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 VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- 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)

 **Segment: 1712**



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

- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G43

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public.

These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Route: G45

Segment: 2194



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

- Signed illegally on BLM as closed

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 1993



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 VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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: 2036



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 VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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: 2043



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

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: 2055



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 VRM Class III
- Wildlife Elk Production Area

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 2092



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 VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

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: 2114



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

- Recreation Access Dispersed Campsite
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.

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: 2035



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 Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- 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 slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Segment: 2133



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- 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 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: 2156



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails

- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

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.

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: 2166



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: 2175



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: 2226



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: 6743



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- 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 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 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: 6747



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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.

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: 405



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
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

Rationale for Decision

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

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: 6737



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

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: G45

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public. These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Commenter Name: McClellan, Roz Organization: Rocky Mountain Recreation Initiative

Submission Code: emc0846

Recommened: Closed

Zone G South Shale Ridge Close G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52

Commenter Name: No Record

Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

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(specifically G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52)

Commenter Name: Hartmann, David J.

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0006

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

If the BLM really wants to close that Horse Mountain trail on the County line, it should be done seasonally. That trail is the only way up and around behind a large landlocked area in Gothard Gulch.

Route: G49

Segment: 2389



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

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: G49

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G50**

 **Segment: 2812**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Closed

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

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

Rationale for Decision

- No Rationale for the this designation.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 2852



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Recreation County identified recreation vested interest route
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Range Study Site
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with slump areas.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

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

Segment: 6816



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural Resource Concern
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G50

Commenter Name: Cox, Tom

Organization:

Submission Code: rmc0008

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

Some of these roads are as follows G142, G148, G150, G50, G368, and G377. All of these roads are used for the cattle and hunting businesses. It would be very detrimental to us if any of these roads were closed.

Commenter Name: McClellan, Roz Organization: Rocky Mountain Recreation Initiative

Submission Code: emc0846 Reccomended: Closed

Zone G South Shale Ridge Close G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52

Commenter Name: No Record

Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: G51

Segment: 1072



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to 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: G51

No public comments for this Route

Route: G52

Segment: 243



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Maintenance
- 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
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce the spread of cheatgrass and noxious weeds as well as reduce redundant routes susceptible to cheatgrass and noxious weed infestations.
- Designation was considered to 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)

Segment: 1328



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: Winter Closure

Mitigation

- Maintenance
- 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
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Soils Slumping soils
- Special Designation VRM Class II
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion

- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range
- 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 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 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 provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range study sites.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G52

Commenter Name: Prichard, Charles

Organization:

Submission Code: cfc0117

Recommened: Admin/Permitted Use Only

I live in zone G and will be addressing Route G52. There have been some comments in the public comments period by route 1, and your response to public comments period 1 by route states...., "Administrative and permitted access only, because the general public must cross private property to access this route". This is confusing. Does this mean that if I allowed the general public through my property, that my access would remain open? The resource concerns you have listed are soils and wildlife. Would this not be a detriment to your soil and wildlife concerns if this was open to general public. We do restrict the number of people and vehicles allowed because of the same concerns you list. We don't want it hunted out and the roads tore to hell either. This area is listed as critical habitat for elk and mule deer and because of this we need to be allowed access for predator control. Maintaining healthy numbers of elk and deer depends of properly managed predator control. Our family controls

access to the only road that is passable for normal sized 4x4"s. This access has been established for over 50 years... We have allowed the BLM access on this road to build catch ponds and water savers. Every year our family gets together and works over a spring that carries water about 300 yards to a stock tank from a steep and restrictive canyon. We"ve done this for over 25 years. We do it for the wildlife. We have never charged a fee or collected any money for access. I request that you consider Alternative D insted of C. I feel your response thus far does not properly address the resource concerns you listed.

Commenter Name: McClellan, Roz Organization: Rocky Mountain Recreation Initiative

Submission Code: emc0846 Reccomended: Closed

Zone G South Shale Ridge Close G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52

Commenter Name: No Record Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: G55

Segment: 1020



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

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
- Special Designation ACEC
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- 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 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 close duplicate or redundant routes within 4 miles of Gunnison or

greater Sage-Grouse lek.

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: G55

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G64**

 **Segment: 1617**

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
- Potential spring mitigation

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

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

Rationale for Decision

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

- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to maintain a minimum of administrative access to range improvement projects and to areas necessary to properly administer grazing permits.
- Designation was considered in some cases to limit public access to protect range improvements from potential damage.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Segment: 1746



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
- Potential spring mitigation

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

- Other Considerations Inventoried Lands with Wilderness Characteristics
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- 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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in

production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.

- Designation was considered to 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): Foot/Horse

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Segment: 382



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Drainage Crossing
- 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

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing
- Range Study Site

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to maintain administrative access to active oil and gas wells, but limit public access to provide for public safety at active well sites.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to reduce 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 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: 1463



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Reroute
- Drainage Crossing
- 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 VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing

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 minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G64

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon
Submission Code: cfc0088

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

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon
Submission Code: cfc0097

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

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public. These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Route: G67

Segment: 1622



Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species In or Through (20m points)
- Vegetation Sensitive vegetation species proximate (100m)
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Wildlife Elk Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes

exceeding 40 percent.

- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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 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: G67

Commenter Name: McClellan, Roz Organization: Rocky Mountain Recreation Initiative

Submission Code: emc0846 Reccomended: Closed

Zone G South Shale Ridge Close G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52

Commenter Name: No Record Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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Route: G80

Segment: 1348

Designation

Proposed Designation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Public Access

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Soils Severe Erosion Hazard roads and trails
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes with potential severe erosion hazards.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to 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 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: G80

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G81**

 **Segment: 1120**

Designation 

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Right of Way

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Greater Sage Grouse Active Lek (4 miles)
- Wildlife Elk Migratory and Movement Corridors
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to minimize 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: G81

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G85**

 **Segment: 21994**

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
- Soils Slope Greater than 40%
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III

Rationale for Decision

- Designation was considered to minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites and to reduce density of routes in areas known to be of high expected cultural resource density or in areas of high value to the cultural program or Tribes.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with slopes exceeding 40 percent.
- Designation was considered to eliminate duplicative or redundant routes in areas with fragile soils.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G85

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G89**

 **Segment: 2826**

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
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Range Development

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Admin/Permitted Use Only

Alternative C (Conservation): Admin/Permitted Use Only

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

Public Comments On Route: G89

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G92**

 **Segment: 2299**

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 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.

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: 2343



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 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.

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: 2345



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

- Energy Access COGCC well
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Water Stream Crossing
- Wildlife Elk Production Area
- Range Study Site

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 in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to minimize potential impacts from routes with multiple stream crossings.
- Designation was considered to reduce road density and disturbance of human activities in production areas and winter ranges for large ungulates.
- Designation was considered to 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: 2705



Designation

Proposed Designation: Open (All modes of travel)

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

- No Designation Criteria identified for this route segment

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Other Considerations County Vested Interest
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Plant communities susceptible to Cheatgrass Invasion
- Water Stream Crossing

Rationale for Decision

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

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

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

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

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

Public Comments On Route: G92

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0088

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

I feel strongly that these high value recreational routes (route segments) in Zone G should remain open to the general public for all forms of use including motorized/OHV use. Routes G: 13; 263; 264; 287; 300; 41; 64; 26; 29; 338; 384; 43; 340; 45; 92; 381; 377; 150; 148; 142; 167; 164; 229; 237; 239; 234; 178; 244; 188; 193; 194; 202. RS 2477 Right of Ways (ROWs) and Prescriptive ROW's have been legally established on the entire list of Zone G routes listed above.

Commenter Name: Siegfried, Brandon

Organization: Grand Mesa Jeep Club

Submission Code: cfc0097

Recommened: Open (All modes of travel)

Motorized Routes G: 64,41, 29, 340,43,45, 13, 92, and 338 should remain open to the general public.

These Zone G routes should remain open to the public as they all fall under RS 2477 and may fall under County Road Designations.

Commenter Name: McClellan, Roz Organization: Rocky Mountain Recreation Initiative

Submission Code: emc0846

Recommened: Closed

Zone G South Shale Ridge Close G67-G142-G50-G92-G45-G26-G202-G14-G52

Commenter Name: No Record

Organization: No Record

Submission Code: No Record

Reccomended: Open (All modes of travel)

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 **Route: G96**

 **Segment: 2379**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Vegetation Riparian proximate (100 ft)
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- 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 in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to reduce livestock and recreation impacts to riparian areas.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance

for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G96

No public comments for this Route

Route: G97

Segment: 2378

Designation



Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- No Mitigation prescribed for this route segment

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Soils Fragile soils
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range
- 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 in areas with fragile soils.
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

Previous Alternatives Analyzed

Alternative A (Current): Undesignated

Alternative B (Preferred): Closed

Alternative C (Conservation): Closed

Alternative D (Development): Closed

Public Comments On Route: G97

No public comments for this Route

 **Route: G99**

 **Segment: 2297**



Designation

Proposed Designation: Closed

Seasonal Limitations: None

Designation Following Mitigation: Admin/Permitted Use Only

Seasonal Limitations: None

Mitigation

- Work with Land Owner on Right of Way

Rationale

Designation Criteria

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

Resources and / or Uses Present

- Cultural High Potential Cultural Class 1 Modeling
- Cultural Resource Concern
- Special Designation VRM Class III
- Vegetation Public Land Health Standard not meeting biotic standard
- Wildlife Mule Deer Winter Range

Rationale for Decision

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

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

- Designation was considered to minimize impacts to cultural site integrity (to maintain the visual, audible, and setting characteristics of cultural sites).
- Designation was considered to maintain or restore vegetative communities to provide soil stability and resistance to erosion. Use vegetative treatments to improve diversity, reduce noxious and invasive species, and restore native plant communities to support wildlife and livestock.
- Designation was considered to provide sufficient forage, cover, and protection from disturbance for large ungulates in order to maintain healthy viable populations.

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: G99

No public comments for this Route

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