

Special or Research Natural Area Consideration



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We would like your assistance in helping us identify lands to evaluate for potential Special Area or Research Natural Area (RNA)¹ designation. This is an important because you have a voice in shaping future recommendations for these types of designation. Some areas of National Forest System lands may not be recommended as wilderness, yet contain opportunities for research or have outstanding **scenic, geological, botanical, zoological, paleontological, historical, or recreational** features that may merit management as a Special Area. On the web-based Collaborative Mapping Tool (encouraged) or on this comment form, tell us: **What areas on this district, if any, should be considered for Special Area or RNA designation? Why or why not? Would you like to change the boundary of any Special Area or RNA shown on the map? Why? Are their additional areas? Where? RNA or Special (what type)? Shape (draw on hardcopy map)?**

For each comment, please identify the RNA or type of Special Area you would like to see considered.

| RNA or Special Area (include type of feature) | Comment |
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| | No more road closures, no wilderness areas, no more special use areas, no more National Monuments. Enough is enough. Leave the area alone. The whole county is telling you |
| | this yet your still going to do what the special interest groups want who don't even live in the area. You've already messed up enough, Eddie Dickens Grants City Councilman |

¹ An area set aside by USFS to preserve a representative sample of an ecological community, primarily for scientific and educational purposes.

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| | <p>and coal mines Mt. Taylor had drill rig sites [→] all over it The Zunis had floorper and copper mines all over. No areas on Mt. Taylor or Zunis ^{that} haven't had man traveled over it in some way.</p> |
| | <p>so there are no areas that are prestine.</p> |
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