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For the record.

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Ms. Bell;

You are most likely aware of the recreational shooting issues on the Pike National Forest. Unsafe and irresponsible shooting occurrences have significantly increased. Resource damage such as the destruction of acres of trees used as targets and shell casings left with other trash is prevalent. Other Forest users are alerting us more frequently to stray bullets from recreational shooters not shooting into a backstop and shooting across roads, trails, and meadows.

The Pikes Peak Ranger District currently has an Integrated Management of Target Shooting proposal out for public comment. This is Fort Carson's military personnel and their families' opportunity to provide comments and recommendations which will help us in making management decisions on recreational shooting on the Forest. Attached is the briefing paper with background and the where and how to provide comments through the National Environmental Policy Act which is our federal process for public participation on Forest management issues. More information is on the website. Deadline to submit public comments is February 22nd.

Thank you, Samantha

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