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GNF Plan Revision- August 21, 2017 Gunnison Basin In Answer to the Comment Survey Wildlife -  
Recreation - Resources - Designated Areas Patrice Boyd

1. Change the Alpine Tunnel Road from Pitkin area to a Car and Jeep Road for all to visit The Alpine Tunnel - (we have international visitors who are renting cars to see USA ancient Railways - I met one such person - a Railways magazine publisher and scientist from Germany walking back from the Palisade disaster last year to the parking area )- others have met people from Spain.. I saw this gentleman had to stop on the road and throw loose rocks off the road to travel forward! ATV'S are tearing up this road! Of course, we were in our truck- we are locals! This person travels here every year to many early railways & to see trains/car & historical buildings - as well as many others. These people are sharing with many others our country and its PARKS

Of course, jeepers can travel on to the Hancock direction. For such an Historical "Monument", we need to show how proud we are to recognize such efforts and creations.

2. Cumberland Road has become a raceway for ARV'S! They have NO interest in the Forest!

From Cumberland Pass to Pitkin, I have observed races by groups of at least 8 or 10 and using road banks for the challenge of the day as they churned up it for the whole group to admire, their have been terrible accidents by individuals who were speeding and for those who could not see the speeder coming around a curve, killing a local pulling out his driveway. These speeders are pushing regular travelers off the road because these speeders certainly don't want to end up in the ditch & flip.

3. There must be several officers patrolling this west side of the Cumberland Pass Road as well as in its forest. The government just has to add more money for the caretakers of the forests. After all, the ranchers are allowed to care for their cattle by bringing in the cattle to graze. Our environment depends on a healthy forests.

4. Our wildlife should not be chased by ARV's. High fines must be for them - again, more officers needed. Healthy forest depends on our wildlife.

Our wildlife should not be chased into our town - while delightful to see, they are not safe here - that is a bad habit for them - as well as - no feeding. I do post such on our local notice boards. We have new people living here who do not know any better.

Since we don't have our red foxes any more, I wonder if there are trappers! I was told that 4 dead ones were seen at the upper end of town - shot. - this pass spring..

Please add me to your mailing list!

Early history story (1880?) from a descendant that lived in Pitkin, Co: Grandfather delivered supplies to the Palisades that was being built. On his way up, he saw a worker fall. When he arrived at the building site, he told the manager of the fall. The manager paid no attention. The Grandfather unloaded the supplies, moved the horses to the other end of the wagon to return down the narrow dirt road to Pitkin. Very smart idea - there was no space to turn around the wagon. He mentioned again that a person had fallen. The response was, "No matter, it was just a China-man. If you're concerned, you go down there." He did and found several bodies! The Grandfather did not return. He worked for the Bon Ton after that. The skills in creating the stonework is impressive for the Palisades. I do hope that the replacement can be in the same style!

Thank you for your services!