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Comments: The Gunnison National Forest is one of the most special areas in the world. I think that the management of the area is far too broad to be managed as the GMUG.

I know nothing of the Grand Mesa, or Uncompahgre but the Gunnison National Forest is well known to me. Recreation in the Gunnison National Forest is grow very fast. The mountain bike community seems to have an endless desire to build new trails. As an outdoorsman and professional outfitter I completely support mountain biking and trails, but there must be a balance. When new development is needed it should be balanced with conserving other areas forever from new trails and development.

The GMUG revision should place wildlife as one of the most important resources when approached by new development on the Forest. Once the wildlife lose habitat it will never be available for them again. I am sad that wildlife is not listed higher in the scoping done so far.

Also in this scoping process I am very unhappy that the campground toilets are locked in the fall, winter, and spring. This process is crazy as people use these lands ALL YEAR!! The outhouse is already built just locked, so people must spread their waste out in the forest.

The commercial recreation permitting process is also in need of review. With the loss of equestrian horse days across the forest new days should become available in areas that have lost these days. Every year I get calls from public wishing to visit a specific area of the forest. The outfitter with the permit will not or can't take them, and since I don't have the permit for the area the service is not available to the public.

Please consider these thoughts in the scoping process.