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Comments: Forest Plan Revision Working Draft Comments

Hi-

Attached are my comments on the working draft forest plan revision.

I've organized these by cut and paste of commented sections in order

of the original presentation. This is my first comment on the GMUG

plan but I have substantial related professional, user, and community

organization experience. Perhaps most saliently I'm active on

dispersed camping issues, proposing the Mary E. reopening and a BLM

site near Mesa Verde that is now under active management. I've also

appealed a San Juan National Forest camping ticket thru Magistrate

David L. West all the way to the Supreme Court, which refused to hear

it. I also objected to the Gold King Mine's Hays Griswold and his

practices here in San Miguel County just prior to that disaster in 2015.

My professional experience began in the affluent suburb of Seattle,

Bellevue, in the late 80's where I assisted in the standardization of

land use environmental mitigating conditions creating a relational

database system for the application of that standardized text along

the same general outline as this document - under Washington State

Law. The City of Bellevue had been the first to successfully apply

these regulations to its healthy development under the direction of

the Department of Ecology Director Christine Gregoire, who would go on

to be Attorney General and Governor. I was also actively involved in

community organizations outside of that specific jurisdiction,

specifically Seattle - and efforts to improve regional governance

where I organized a forum at the University of Washington - my Honor's Degree alma mater.

My comments are focused on recreational use of the forest, though I do understand and speak to both wilderness/ecology and commercial resource utilization. My biggest area of concern is the Wildland Urban Interface including high use recreation areas and mountain resorts. All in all these land use classifications need better delineation, the existing ROS maps need substantial work. Given my personal health condition my access comments are angled toward the senior and disabled cohorts and should also apply to younger families.

Please note there are outstanding personal legal issues associated directly to these comments, some of which are directly or indirectly mentioned. I have been previously discriminated against by directly and indirectly associated individuals for my disability, receipt of public assistance, political beliefs (non-partisan independent), and retaliation for previous action.

I'm a big fan of open public process, and this process has much to commend in that regard. More public meetings, especially in upcoming phases is important - including Telluride. The 2016 Master Development plan with the Telski Corporation did not have a public process. That omission I believe also goes to Matt Zumstein, District Supervisor.

For what it is worth, my concerns are with the Real Estate Operations, not so much the Ski area operations of Jensen, Proteau, and Berry.

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