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To: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and United States Forest Service (USFS) Rocky Mountain Region.

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Concerning: The (USDA) Draft Record of Decision (ROD) Pike and San Isabel National Forests Motorized Travel Management (MVUM) Analysis.

Attention: Reviewing Officer

We object to the ROD Alternative C, specifically addressing Chaffee County Road CR226A also known as NFSR 226A and CR226 also known as NFSR226 located in the Salida Ranger District. By objecting to the ROD we are not validating the ROD. Legal, regulation and policy issues concerning the ownership, management and use of CR226A/NFSR 226A were not adequately considered and addressed in the ROD. As stated in our Petition Comments (PC), (Reference Analysis #48214 Letter ID 48214-3121-2157) submitted on 11/1/2019 during the public comment period, paragraph (p) 4 highlights the legal ownership and management discrepancy of CR226/NFSR226 (1.11 miles) ROD and CR226A/NFSR226A (.08 miles) ROD. Chaffee County has placed both CR226/NFSR226, which adjoins CR226A/NFSR226A, on a deferred maintenance schedule due to budget restraints, but purportedly considers them to be under Chaffee County ownership and management PC p5. Originally CR226A/NFSR226A was CR226/NFSR226 also referred to as the Pipe Route, Cable Route and Rainbow Route PC p7. In any Travel Analysis Process and Report the evaluation of use should be based on past, present and future use projections and not the deferred maintenance schedule. If found to be under USFS ownership and management the ROD did not address the USFS and other agencies policies and regulations concerning the public's (county maintained) 140 year continuous and uninterrupted prescriptive use of CR226A/NFSR226A and CR226/NFSR226 to access historic Arbourville PC p4, PC p7. An Administrative Use Only designation and subsequent Special Use Permit does not provide the greatest amount of public and administrative usage and access. The determined governing body should continue to allow unrestricted public motorized use of CR226/NFSR226 and CR226A/NFSR226A and should strive to enhance the public experience and be responsive to the public needs by improving access, including paving, facilities and parking PC p4. The local historical society quoted the Hermit of Arbourville, Frank Gimlett as saying "The treasures of yesteryear are buried in the hearts of tomorrow and discovered in Arbourville" P.C p7

Sincerely,

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