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

Diana Trujillo, Forest Supervisor Pike and San Isabel National Forests.

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

Attention: Reviewing Officer

I object to the Draft Record of Decision (ROD) Alternative C. The ROD discriminates on the grounds of disability and financial ability. I am referring to my comments that I submitted on 11/4/2019 Analysis #48214 Letter ID #48214-3121-2987. The ROD has illegally violated my personal rights as well as the public's rights by discriminating against all disabled peoples and all those with access to private property and by prematurely restricting access. The American Disabilities Act (ADA) specifically states that individuals can not be discriminated against because of their disabilities...."The ADA became law in 1990. The ADA is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination with individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life, including jobs, schools, transportation, and ALL public and private places open to the general public." The ROD clearly violates that law by not seriously and un-biously addressing the disabled public's access to our National Forests. Stating in the Analysis that handicapped people can access the forest on trails via their motorized wheelchairs is not just ludicrous it is an uninformed and disregarding slap in the face to the public; a direct violation of the law, regulation and policy. In my comment on 11/4/2019 I addressed this subject, yet the USFS did not adjust the MVUM decisions accordingly. I have not found any evidence in the analysis, and ROD, that handicapped facilities, trails and access will be established. There is no consideration even mentioned of handicapped individuals abilities to continue to use motorized vehicles to access our public lands as well as our private lands. If special use permits are given they should be given free of charge to handicapped individuals to drive a motorized vehicle on a road which was open to the public prior to the MVUM i.e. 2016.

I was informed in the ROD that the USFS would perhaps allow me to drive my vehicle down a public road, Chaffee County Road 226A, about 300 feet to my property, if I paid them for a Special Use Permit. The ROD states that I can "apply" for a permit to access my private property. This is blatant discrimination of a financial nature as well as a subjective nature. Apply does not guarantee approval, or even consider the financial ability to pay for its approval. The permits are subjective and dynamic and can be altered and modified at the discretion of the USFS, no guarantees. The USFS has also illegally closed or restricted access on numerous roads and trails, including roads 226 and 226A, in Chaffee County as well as throughout the state of Colorado. By decommissioning, barricading, administrative use only, seasonal closures and discretionary closures before this analysis was completed the USFS has effectively altered the use of these trails and roads illegally. This altered use was used to justify their restricted use and closures decision.

I, and the rest of this great country's public, have accessed and enjoyed our public lands by driving our motorized vehicles on public roads that were constructed by the public for the public. I understand that the USFS is acting out of a lawsuit filed by special interest groups that would like to see the entire forest closed to motorized transportation. However, the USFS is responsible for managing our forests and ensuring their preservation for future generations but a vast majority of the roads and trails in MVUM have served the public for decades with minimal adverse environmental effects.

The USFS needs to remember and recognize their mission and that they were established to serve the public and provide the public with the ability to use and enjoy OUR National Forests. I strongly encourage the USFS to rectify this unfortunate situation and remedy their discriminatory decision.

Thank you for your attention.

Commander

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