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Comments: These comments are updated based on the 20 Jan 2021 proposed site design for Turkey Tracks proposed site:

-- Many of the conditions described in Table 3 under "Conditions based adaptive management of target shooting" exist today: Trash, night shooting, fires, etc... in violation of existing signage / posted rules indicating management actions to date have been ineffective. All the existing signage/rules and management actions are in place today but, are not successfully managed, how will the new expanded facility adequately staff and manage the conditions without adverse impacts to the surrounding forest and residents?

-- How will you implement Management Action to "Increase patrols of the area by law enforcement or forest protection officers" when DCSO only has two resident deputies covering this area and response times for calls requiring assets from vicinity of Castle Rock / Sedalia (proper) is typically measured in hours. Additionally, we've been told by USFS management there is currently only one forest service enforcement officer covering a vast area, again with extremely long response time to calls. Will you hire more USFS enforcement officers for this area to support the range? Will you coordinate with DCSO to provide greater resident deputy presence in this area? Will you establish a memorandum of agreement with the Teller County Sheriff for greater patrol presence of the range? What is the plan for funding the management activities required for the expanded shooting facility? Will actions be taken to close the area if funding is reduced or eliminated?

-- Numerous "Indicator measures" described in Table 3 of the "INTEGRATED MANAGEMENT OF TARGET SHOOTING ON THE PIKE NATIONAL FOREST" document require the presence or at least frequent site patrols of enforcement Officers to identify when those Indicators are present. (e.g., Weapons used are appropriate to the design of the range (or portion of range); Shooting at night; Use of drugs or alcohol at shooting range; Overflow parking does not impede traffic or impede emergency response; Use is restricted to designated shooting lanes (users do not conduct dispersed shooting within the range area); Lack of visitor conflict regarding site availability or use; Amount of trash, especially shooting waste (ammunition or improvised targets) at a site; Shooting confined to the lanes, galleries, and site boundaries; Shooting damage to trees, shrubs, and other natural features near the site; Pollution sources including but not limited to: sediment, hazardous materials, chemical and fuel spills, trash, human waste, ammunition, lead shot, and modes of access such as vehicles, etc...). What is the plan to provide the necessary saturation of official presence to identify when "Indicator measures" are present? And, what exactly is the process for reporting the presence of "indicator measures" and adjudicating the appropriate response(s)? Who decides when current Management Actions are insufficient and who has the authority to increase Management Actions up-to and including converting the site to a supervised facility, and adding a fee system and concessionaire if necessary? Have objective measures been established or will they be established?

-- Your plan leads me to believe the range will be open to shooting 365 days /year and during ALL hours of daylight. Is this correct? Conditions today show there are almost nightly violations of shooting during periods of darkness. How will the USFS change things to ensure compliance with this rule?

-- Fires. Every season there are numerous fires in & around the Turkey Tracks range which are principally responded to by my Mountain Communities Volunteer Fire Department (MCFD). Has this plan been formally provided to MCFD, and what was their feedback? As a community, approximately 10% of our property taxes, augmented by annual donations go to fund MCFD. Is there going to be a USFS contribution to MCFD funding in order to support fire safety efforts on this expanded shooting complex?

-- Noise. We live in Trout Creek Ranch Estates, which is just over one mile from Turkey Tracks as the crow flies. The sound of discharging firearms is clearly heard within our development, even inside our homes. Expansion of shooting at Turkey Tracks will undoubtedly increase noise and potentially have a negative effect on our property values

-- Trash. Who is responsible for trash removal? How is this being paid for? What is the criteria for "excess trash" at the range which will result in closure? Again, this problem exists today and your plan fails to provide any detail explaining how expanding the range facility will mitigate the trash problem.

-- Range Safety. Based on the 20 Jan updated site design on the website: The "Traditional Rifle Galleries" are all oriented with a direction of fire to ensure hi-errant rounds are likely to fall into the Trout Creek subdivision, well within the maximum fall of shot of most caliber rifles over 22 Rimfire. Additionally, one of the two 50M omni-directional rifle galleries is oriented with direction of fire toward Hwy 67, which means hi-errant shots will cross Hwy 67....this is ridiculous and violates current USFS shooting rules which state not to shoot across roads, and clearly represents a safety hazard.

-- Communications: There is currently little-to-no cellular phone coverage on the Turkey Tracks range. What will the USFS put in place to ensure range users can contact public safety (911) in the event of fire, shooting injury, other medical emergency, etc..

-- Sanitation: With anticipated increased use of this proposed expanded range facility there's a need for bathroom facilities at the range, yet none are discussed in the scoping document or depicted on the latest proposed site map for Turkey Tracks. Who will provide bathroom facilities and who will be responsible for maintaining these facilities? Or does the USFS propose users urinate & defecate anywhere they desire within the range complex?