Data Submitted (UTC 11): 4/3/2023 10:01:22 PM First name: Ian Last name: Billick Organization: RMBL Title: Executive Director Comments: We very much appreciate the direction in Table 2 on page 14 to "Coordinate/consult with Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory researchers concerning construction (trails and parking areas) near research sites."

Because of this language we are comfortable with the Budd Trail, with long-term monitoring sites directly adjacent to the trail.

We continue to be nervous about the Upper Upper to Brush Creek Trailhead because of long-term sites. Option 1 would be fine; it goes above the research sites. However, Option 2 shows a flexibility zone that could potentially send the the trail through the site. Strict interpretation of the language on page 14 would eliminate that problem, but we don't know what discretion will be allowed in the flexibility zone. If the language were modified to require the trails to skirt the research sites, we would be comfortable. This might be reasonable since the language only applies to these two sites.