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Comments: Hi USFS Norwood District folks,

Wow, this is really exciting! I appreciate all the hard work the Telluride Mt Club has done and continues to do to promote well-maintained, legal trail use in the Telluride region.

These proposed trails seem great for the most part! Especially the perimeter trail. And the Ilium Flume Trail, and the long-anticipated Valley Floor to Mt Village trail. The T-35 connector & parking would be very positive additions to our regional trail system.

My one big concern is the Sheep Mountain Traverse. My primary opposition to this alignment is that this is designated as a Special Management Area in the proposed CORE act for good reason; and a new trail there is not appropriate--especially due to Lynx habitat. I'm sure your NEPA analysis will reveal that it's ecologically unsuitable for a trail. Secondly, this new trail doesn't appear to be needed or in demand. Maybe there's a reason I'm not thinking of, but it doesn't seem like a trail that's worth doing further analysis on.

I appreciate that this is just the next step in a long process, and all of these trails must undergo thorough NEPA analysis. I look forward to learning more as the process continues.

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

Joan May