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Comments: Re: Cibola Forest Plan Revision Public Meeting

Hello Dee, and the other members of the Mountainair landscape team. Thanks for facilitating the Mountainair and Torreon meetings in the past couple of weeks. You are a gracious hostess.

I had mentioned to you at the Torreon meeting that while I really liked the Mountainair RD landscape team vision statement, there was one area that I would like the team to consider adding. At the end of the first statement, the team wrote, "access for traditional and multiple uses." I am glad that traditional uses are included, but it would be nice to see an expansion of what the team considers to be multiple uses. While most would consider multiple uses to include gathering forest products, rockhounding, grazing, hunting, fishing, OHV recreation, mountain biking, hiking, backpacking, etc., all of these are human centered activities. I would like to see somewhere in the vision statement an acknowledgement that the forest lands have an intrinsic value - that is to say that the land itself, the wildlife, and native plants have a value also, aside from their value to human consumers. This would place an added value to a healthy watershed, not just for people in the area, but also for the native flora and fauna. It also provides consideration for wildlife corridors for both animals and plants, especially trees, which needs to be planned for in light of increasing drought and probable climate change. I hope you will consider this modification to your vision statement.

Respectfully, Susan Ostlie, Co-leader, Rio Grande Valley Broadband of the Great Old Broads for Wilderness

On Monday, August 17, 2015 5:31 PM, Dierdre Tarr <deetarr@yahoo.com> wrote:

Good Afternoon:

I wanted to remind you of the Public Meeting for the Cibola National Forest Plan Revision to be held:

August 18, 2015

Torreon Community Center

18 Torreon Heights Rd. E, Torreon , NM

6 pm - 8 pm

Mountainair Landscape Team

The Mountainair Landscape Team hopes to see you there.

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