

Deer Creeks Travel Planning Area

A. Alternative Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternative 1

Alternative 1 is the “no action” alternative. There would be no changes to current management direction applicable to travel management.

Travel Planning Area Direction Under Alternatives 2 through 7-M

GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use. Provide opportunities for both motorized and non-motorized summer recreation use with emphasis on motorcycle, ATV, horse and pack stock use. In addition, provide moderate levels of opportunity for mountain biking, pleasure driving and 4 x 4 use on backcountry roads. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 5, and 7-M. In Alternative 6, motorcycle and ATV use would not be emphasized.*

OBJ. 1-1a: Manage the road and trail system to provide for the following types of summer recreation use. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 6, however, the amount of opportunity varies as shown in the table below. The column for Alternative 7-M is provided for information only.*

Table II – 44 Summary of Summer Opportunities By Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Alt. 1	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7-M
Pleasure Driving							
Miles of Road	19	19	24	24	24	24	24
Backcountry Roads (4x4)							
Miles of Road	33	33	27	27	27	27	26
ATV							
Miles of Road	2	2	17	17	15	8	20
Miles of Trail	70	18	15	39	9	0	11
Total Miles	72	20	32	56	24	8	31
Motorcycle							
Miles of Road	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Miles of Trail	0	51	31	0	1	0	44
Total Miles	0	51	31	0	3	0	46
Mountain Bike (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Road	54	54	30	30	30	30	31
Miles of Trail	73	73	29	23	23	23	38
Total Miles	127	127	59	53	53	53	69
Mountain Bike (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	44	49	49	49	35
Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Trail	73	73	67	60	73	73	65
Pack and Saddle Stock (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	0*	0*	6	13	0*	0*	8
Hiking (Use Emphasized)							
Miles of Trail	73	69	61	55	55	73	65

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All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Alt. 1	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7-M
Hiking (Use Allowed)							
Miles of Trail	0*	4	12	18	18	0*	8
* Use for this activity is not prohibited on any trails; use is either emphasized or allowed.							
** Use for this activity is prohibited on some trails.							

OBJ. 1-1b: Achieve the summer recreation opportunities identified in GOAL 1 through the route-by-route management decisions made through this Travel Plan. Any future proposals to change the uses specified should be done in consideration of the targeted recreation setting to be provided [see the “Recreation Opportunity Spectrum” (ROS) map for summer uses under Alternative 7-M] which is hereby incorporated by reference. *This objective applies to Alternative 7-M only.*

OBJ. 1-2: Acquire additional public access into the Cherry Creek drainage. *This objective applies to Alternatives 2 through 7-M.*

GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use. There are no goals for winter recreation use in this Travel Planning Area. *The tables below are for comparison purposes only.*

Table II – 45 Summary of Winter Opportunities In Miles							
All mileages are approximate							
Recreation Opportunity	Alt. 1	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7-M
Pleasure Driving (Plowed Road)							
Miles of Plowed Road	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Snowmobiling							
Miles of Groomed Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Marked Trail	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Total Miles	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
Cross-country Skiing							
Miles of Groomed Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miles of Marked Trail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Miles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table II - 46 Summary of Area Restrictions - Acres							
Recreation Opportunity	Alt. 1	Alt. 2	Alt. 3	Alt. 4	Alt. 5	Alt. 6	Alt. 7-M
Snowmobiling							
Yearlong Closure							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	0	0	0	0	3,328	0	0
Seasonal Closure ^{2/}							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
No Restrictions							
Wilderness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Wilderness	65,759	65,759	65,759	65,759	62,431	65,759	65,759
Net	65,759	65,759	65,759	65,759	65,759	65,759	65,759
^{2/} Note: Seasonal restrictions are displayed under the route-by-route management section.							

GOAL 3: Fisheries. Provide habitat for Yellowstone cutthroat trout in Lower Deer Creek. *This goal applies to Alternatives 2 through 7-M.*

STANDARD 3-1: The Deer Creeks and Placer Gulch Trails will not be open to summer motorized use until the facilities are brought to a standard that does not degrade Yellowstone cutthroat trout habitat, unless the result is above 90% of its potential capability. *This standard applies to Alternatives 3, 4 and 7-M.*

B. Alternative Route-By-Route Management

[See attached table.](#)

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