

# Recreation Facility Analysis



## 5-year Proposed Program of Work

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#### **Background**

The Cibola National Forest and Grasslands is proposing future management of developed recreation sites through a process called “Recreation Facility Analysis (RFA).” This is part of a national initiative conducted by all national forests to improve management of their developed recreation sites.

We want to provide healthy, safe, and well-maintained recreation opportunities for local communities and visitors to our area. Through the RFA process, the overall goals of our recreation site program are to:

- Focus management resources on the most appropriate recreation opportunities to respond to changing public desires and demands appropriate to the natural setting that we manage.
- Maintain or enhance visitor satisfaction with the sites and services provided.
- Meet health and safety standards at all developed recreation sites.
- Be financially sustainable.
- Be environmentally sound.
- Maintain community sustainability.

Many of our facilities were built 30-50 years ago and are in need of major maintenance or reconstruction. A few facilities receive little use, and no longer serve the demand that existed in years past. The fundamental premise of the program of work is to provide developed recreation which is sustainable and flexible enough to be annually adapted to any changes in demand, available resources, and opportunities.

The RFA process involved several steps: gathering inventory and financial data; identifying the forest recreation niche; evaluating each developed recreation site against established national criteria and ranking the recreation sites according to those criteria. Using this analysis, as well as professional judgment and assessment of our ability to meet current and future demand, the Forest has documented a proposed 5-Year Program of Work. We welcome your comments and suggestions on this proposal.

#### **What’s Happening on the Cibola National Forest and Grasslands?**

A Forest’s recreation niche defines the best-suited recreation experiences or benefits that the forest can provide. The niche is defined from those components that make a forest special, and fosters quality recreation versus quantity, or trying to be all things to all people. It provides a good description of the uniquely specific recreation opportunities provided by the Forest and Grasslands within the context of the forest’s ecological features, opportunities provided by others in the area, and the demands and desires of recreation visitors to the area now and into the future. The Cibola National Forest and Grasslands niche is:

## **Taking the Memories Home - Traditions, Cultures, Landscapes**

From sunrise over the vast grasslands on the Southern Great Plains to sunset behind the Zuni Mountains on the Continental Divide the Cibola NF and NGs offer an array of settings and amazing night skies. Diverse biomes including grasslands, desert, forests, and mountains create a rich landscape for wildlife, scenery and people. Ancient and modern routes have connected people spiritually and physically to this timeless landscape for generations and now reach out to an increasingly urban population through hiking, gathering, enjoying scenery, and watching & hunting wildlife. The land maintains its cultural and natural integrity even in the face of intense urban growth from metro Albuquerque and cities in Oklahoma and Texas.

This niche provides an umbrella context for all recreation programs on the Forest and Grasslands and helps us match up what is most wanted with what we can best provide, to create the most value for the public within our available resources.

Through this Recreation Facility Analysis, we are proposing a 5-year program of work to bring the Cibola's recreation infrastructure into alignment with the forest recreation niche and the resources available to operate and maintain these sites to Forest Service standards.

This proposed program of work is also important to address the backlog of needed maintenance at facilities that has been increasing over the years. Reducing this backlog is important for addressing health and safety concerns, and concerns related to the loss of visitor satisfaction. This backlog is referred to as "deferred maintenance." Less than one-quarter of all Forest Service developed recreation sites nationwide are now being operated to meet all quality standards, and the Cibola National Forest and Grasslands has similar challenges. The amount of work needed in sites nationally has reached \$346 million. On the Cibola National Forest and Grasslands, the backlog of deferred maintenance is over \$2 million.

### **More about the Recreation Facility Analysis:**

The Forest and Grasslands completed an evaluation of each developed recreation site using established national criteria, ranking our recreation sites according to those criteria, and making a recommendation for a Proposed 5-Year Program of Work using this information as well as professional judgment, and ability to meet current and future demand. The criteria include:

- Conformance to the forest niche and amount of recreation use
- Financial efficiency
- Environmental and community sustainability.

We also considered if sites were under some type of operational or contractual agreement whose terms are longer than the 5-year period of the RFA (i.e. a partnership agreement with another federal agency or county).

The Cibola National Forest and Grasslands evaluated a total of 137 developed recreation sites. The following table summarizes the number of recreation sites evaluated by "site type."

## Cibola National Forest and Grasslands Developed Recreation Site Summary

| Recreation Site Type                 | Number of Sites Evaluated |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Campgrounds                          | 28                        |
| Group Campgrounds                    | 4                         |
| Picnic Areas                         | 21                        |
| Group Picnic Areas                   | 13                        |
| Trailheads                           | 48                        |
| Boating or Fishing Sites             | 8                         |
| Interpretative and Information Sites | 12                        |
| Recreation Building                  | 1                         |
| Winter Sports Sites                  | 2                         |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>                        | <b>137</b>                |

### The Proposed Actions and Program of Work for the Cibola National Forest and Grasslands:

The list of Proposed Management Actions by Ranger District and Site Name is attached. Please feel free to contact your local ranger district or the Supervisor's Office with questions and comments about our process or proposed management actions. We would like to hear from you! While you are welcome to comment at any time, to be most helpful please return comments, concerns and suggestions by **September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008**. More information can be found at our website: [http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/cibola/recreation/recreation\\_facilities\\_analysis/index.shtml](http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/cibola/recreation/recreation_facilities_analysis/index.shtml)

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### Expected Results

The following results can be expected upon implementation of the proposed management actions described in the attachment. These particular results focus specifically on financial sustainability, reduced deferred maintenance, and meeting health and safety standards at all developed recreation sites.

| Expected Results                          | Baseline Condition <sup>3</sup> | Program of Work Changed Condition <sup>4</sup> | Percent Change |
|---|---------------------------------|--|----------------|
| Appropriated Funds Available <sup>1</sup> | \$712,192                       | \$712,192                                      | 0%             |
| Fee Receipts Available                    | \$82,982                        | \$199,162                                      | 140%           |
| Other Funds Available <sup>2</sup>        | \$39,000                        | -  | -100%          |
| Annual Operating Costs                    | \$317,123                       | \$343,096                                      | 8%             |
| Annual Maintenance Costs                  | \$454,311                       | \$388,176                                      | -15%           |
| Deferred Maintenance Costs                | \$2,126,307                     | \$1,317,566                                    | -38%           |

<sup>1</sup>Appropriated funds available are reflected using FY 2006 as the baseline funding year, with the assumption for this analysis that developed recreation funding will remain flat (subject to forest and regional priorities).

<sup>2</sup>Other Funds Available include funding from partnerships, grants, and other funding made available that are not appropriated funds or fee receipts.

<sup>3</sup>The baseline condition represents funding levels available during fiscal year 2007 to manage and maintain developed recreation facilities.

<sup>4</sup>The program of work changed condition represents funding levels anticipated funding levels needed to manage the recreation facilities to meet prescribed standards within five years if this plan is implemented.

We will also continue to monitor visitor satisfaction with the sites and services provided and consider how our developed recreation program contributes to local community stability. Some of the proposed actions will require full National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, assuring environmental sound decisions.

How quickly the Forest implements the plan will depend upon available funding and resources, as well as the public's interest, and in many cases, involvement and partnership to enhance our recreation program. If you are interested in helping the Forest implement or improve on the proposed program of work, please contact Nancy Brunswick, Recreation Program Manger, 505-346-3900.

## Summary of the Proposed Management Actions

There are three categories of management actions being considered for the Cibola National Forest and Grasslands. The first are administrative actions. The types of administrative actions include reducing the length of season that a recreation site is open, reducing the number of services, and performing needed maintenance. These actions do not require additional public involvement to implement.

The second category being considered is the increase or initiation of recreation use fees under the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (REA). Before establishing a new recreation fee or increasing an existing fee there will be additional opportunities for public feedback. Policy directs that there will be a notice published in the Federal Register six months in advance and in local newspapers and publications located near the site at which the recreation fee would be established or changed. This notice will include the fee proposals and outline the public involvement process.

The third category includes sites where construction, reconstruction or demolition is being proposed. These types of projects will require further analysis and public involvement prior to making a decision to proceed in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Proposed Management Actions - Cibola National Forest and Grasslands  
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**Mount Taylor Ranger District**

| Site Name                                      | Proposed Management Action   | Is Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?*            |
|--|--|---|
| Bluewater Creek Fishing Site                   | No Change in the next five years, consider converting to a trailhead in the future.  | No, no change proposed in the next five years.                        |
| Coal Mine Campground                           | Convert to a Trailhead and day-use picnic. Focus on group use. Remove the water system. Remove facility & reduce capacity (beyond 5 years)   | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| Coal Mine Nature Trailhead                     | No Change  | No  |
| Continental Divide Trailhead                   | No Change  | No  |
| Lobo Canyon Campground                         | Major Reconstruction and upgrade of the facilities, reduce the number of sites by approximately 50%. The site would be redesigned to better accommodate overnight camping with trailers. | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| McGaffey Group Picnic Site                     | Close or remove waste water system and flush toilets, replace with vault toilets   | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| McGaffey Lake Fishing Site                     | Reduce length of season, close during the winter.  | No  |
| McGaffey - McKenzie Picnic Site                | Close or remove waste water system and flush toilets, replace with vault toilets   | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| McGaffey - Oso/Page Campground                 | Close or remove waste water system and flush toilets, replace with vault toilets   | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| Northwest Multiagency Visitor Center           | No Change, continued to operate under interagency partnership  | No  |
| Ojo Redondo Campground                         | Decommission and remove 7 sites, remove 2 old toilets, reconstruct to better accommodate overnight camping with trailers.  | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| Quadrathalon Run/Ski Winter Sports Site        | Improve parking for resource protection, convert to a trailhead.   | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| Quaking Aspen Campground                       | No Change  | No  |
| Strawberry Canyon Trailhead                    | No Change  | No  |
| Zuni Railroad Tour Trailhead Interpretive Site | Remove toilet, rehab site.   | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |

**Magdalena Ranger District**

| Site Name                              | Proposed Management Action  | Is Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?*  |
|--|---|---|
| Bear Trap Campground                   | Close facility and remove all features such as picnic tables and toilets. The site is proposed for decommissioning and restoration.   | Site could be closed without further decisions. NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities.           |
| Hughes Mill Campground                 | Reduce the season and close during the winter. The campground would be open from April 1 <sup>st</sup> to December 15 <sup>th</sup> . Increase capacity by adding additional sites. | Season could be reduced without further analysis. NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities.         |
| Luna Park Campground                   | Reduce the season and close during the winter, major reconstruction is needed. With the reconstruction the number of sites would be increased.                                      | Season could be reduced without further analysis. NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities.         |
| Mesa Trailhead                         | No Change.  | No  |
| Springtime Campground                  | No Change.  | No  |
| Water Canyon Campground                | Reduce season so that the campground is closed during the winter. Begin charging a fee to use the campground. Add electricity, water and a vault tank for sewage at the host site.  | Season could be reduced without further analysis. To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed.                     |
| Water Canyon Group Campground          | Begin charging a fee to use the campground.   | To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Water Canyon Group Shelter Picnic Site | Begin charging a fee to use the picnic ground. Increase capacity of the site by adding additional sites.  | To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed. NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |

**Mountainair Ranger District**

| Site Name                             | Proposed Management Action   | Is Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?*   |
|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| Albuquerque Trailhead                 | Reduce season, closing site for winter. Replace toilet.  | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities.  |
| Bosque Campground                     | Reduce season, close during the winter.  | No   |
| Box Canyon Trailhead                  | No Change  | No   |
| Capilla Peak Campground               | This site is currently closed due to damage caused by the Trigo fire. Will reopen once the hazard trees and remains of the Adirondack shelters have been removed. Consider replacing the Adirondack shelters and the historic site.  | No   |
| Capilla Peak Pavilion Picnic Site     | No change.   | No   |
| Cerro Blanco Trailhead                | Reduce season, close during the winter.  | No   |
| Cottonwood Trailhead                  | No change  | No   |
| Fourth Of July Campground             | Reduce capacity by combining congested sites. Replace tables with maintenance concerns. Increase fee compliance patrols. Increase fee per site from \$7.00 per night to \$10.00 per night. Remove sites along the riparian area, rehabilitate or stabilize high use areas along the creek. | To increase fees the REA process would be followed. No additional analysis would be necessary to replace tables or reduce capacity by combining sites. |
| Fourth Of July Picnic Site            | No change  | No   |
| Fourth Of July Trailhead              | Reduce service-permanently convert toilet to a storage building  | No   |
| Gallinas Group Site Group Picnic Site | No change  | No   |
| Kayser / Cottonwood Trailhead         | Improve visitor information by replacing sign  | No   |
| Manzano Crest North Trailhead         | No change  | No   |
| Monte Largo Trailhead                 | Reduce development scale by removing the toilet building, trash cans and parking bumpers. There is no public access to this trailhead at this time.  | Requires further consideration to determine if NEPA analysis would be necessary.   |
| New Canyon Campground                 | Convert to trailhead, remove one set of trash cans, most of the parking bumpers, fire rings and tables. A few tables and fire rings would be maintained for day use as part of the trailhead.  | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities.  |
| New Canyon Trailhead                  | This site would be combined with the remaining facilities from the campground.   | No   |
| Ox Canyon Trailhead                   | Tables and fire rings will be removed when they are no longer serviceable  | No   |
| Pine Shadow Trailhead                 | No Change  | No   |



| Site Name                          | Proposed Management Action   | Is Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?* |
|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Red Canyon Interpretive Site       | No Change  | No   |
| Red Canyon/Spruce Spring Trailhead | No Change  | No   |
| Red Canyon - Campground            | No Change  | No   |
| Red Canyon-Picnic Site             | No Change  | No   |
| Red Cloud Picnic Site              | No Change  | No   |
| Red Cloud -Campground              | No Change  | No   |
| Tajique Campground                 | Complete reconstruction of the site, potentially relocate campground. This is a long range goal, probably would not occur during the five year planning period. Possibly relocate out of the riparian area. This site is currently closed until the uphill soils have been stabilized. | NEPA analysis would be required.                           |
| Trail Canyon Trailhead             | Reduce season, the site would be closed for the winter.  | No   |

**Sandia Ranger District**

| Site Name                                  | Proposed Management Action  | Is Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?*  |
|--|---|---|
| 10K Trailhead                              | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Agua Sarca Trailhead                       | No Change   | No  |
| Approximate Sam Trailhead                  | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.Reduce development scale.   | To increase fees the REA process would be followed. No further analysis required to reduce development scale.                         |
| Balsam Glade Picnic Site                   | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Balsam Glade Group Picnic Reservation Site | Increase group use reservation fees. Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.   | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Bill Spring Trailhead                      | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Canoncito Trailhead                        | No change   | No  |
| Canyon Estates Trailhead                   | No change   | No  |
| Capulin Springs Snow Play area             | A major reconstruction and expansion of the sledding terrain has been approved in a separate NEPA analysis, and will be completed when funds are available. This will result in a major decrease in the deferred maintenance backlog when completed. Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00. | NEPA analysis has been completed and a decision has been made for reconstruction. To increase fees the REA process would be followed. |
| Capulin Springs - Picnic Site              | A major reconstruction has been approved in a separate NEPA analysis, and will be completed when funds are available. This will result in a major decrease in the deferred maintenance backlog when completed. Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.                                       | NEPA analysis has been completed and a decision has been made for reconstruction. To increase fees the REA process would be followed. |
| Cedro Trailhead                            | Replace two toilets.  | NEPA analysis would be required.  |
| Cedro Peak Group Campground                | Reduce season to weekends only between Labor Day and Memorial Day during the winter season.   | No  |
| Chamiso Trailhead                          | No Change   | No  |
| Cienega Canyon Picnic Site                 | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Cienega Equestrian Trailhead               | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.   |

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| Cienega Group Reservation Site         | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Crest Trailhead                        | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Crest Nature Trail Interpretive Site   | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Deadman Flat Group Campground          | Close campground, defer decommissioning (removing facilities) until a later date.   | No  |
| Del Agua Trailhead                     | Construct a new site, relocating the trailhead to the rerouted section.   | NEPA analysis has been completed and a decision has been made for relocation. |
| Doc Long Picnic Site                   | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Doc Long - Sulphur Trailhead           | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Doc Long Interpretive Site             | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Doc Long Group Picnic Reservation Site | Increase group use reservation fees. Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.   | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Dry Camp Picnic Site                   | Reduce season by closing during the winter months, change to trailhead, remove tables. Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00. | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Ellis Trailhead                        | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Gateway Pullout Interpretive Site      | No change   | No  |
| Jaral Cabin Trailhead                  | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Juan Tabo Picnic Site                  | Increase staff presence (including law enforcement.) Increase day use recreation fees for the Juan Tabo Basin HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.                                 | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Juniper Area Group Picnic Site         | Reduce season, closing during winter months.  | No  |
| Kiwanis Cabin Trailhead                | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |
| Kiwanis Cabin Interpretive Site        | No change.  | No  |
| La Cueva- Picnic Site                  | Increase staff presence (including law enforcement.) Increase day use recreation fees for the Juan Tabo Basin HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.                                 | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                           |

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| La Cueva-Trailhead  | Increase staff presence (including law enforcement.) Increase day use recreation fees for the Juan Tabo Basin HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.   | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                 |
| La Luz Trailhead  | Increase staff presence (including law enforcement.) Increase day use recreation fees for the Juan Tabo Basin HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Increase the parking lot for more capacity, however this likely can not be done within the life of this plan. | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                 |
| La Madera Canyon Overlook Trailhead                               | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                 |
| Las Huertas Picnic Site   | Reduce the season, open on weekends and holidays only during winter months. Increase day use recreation fees from \$3.00 to \$5.00.   | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                 |
| Locust Area Group Picnic Site (part of the Oak Flat complex)      | Reduce the season, closing during the winter.   | No  |
| Mars Court Trailhead  | No change.  | No  |
| Nine Mile Picnic Site   | Reduce the season, closing during the winter.   | No  |
| Oak Area Group Picnic Site (part of the Oak Flat complex)         | No change.  | No  |
| Otero Trailhead   | No change.  | No  |
| Piedra Lisa-North Trailhead                                       | No change.  | No  |
| Piedra Lisa-South Trailhead                                       | Increase day use recreation fees for the Juan Tabo Basin HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                 |
| Pine Area Group Picnic Site                                       | Reduce the season, closing during the winter.   | No  |
| Pine Flat Group Picnic Site                                       | Reduce the season, closing during the winter. Remove south toilet. Initiate discussions with Albuquerque open space to consider moving site to open space management.   | No  |
| Pinon Group Area Group Picnic Site (part of the Oak Flat complex) | Reduce the season, closing during the winter weekdays.  | No  |
| Sandia Crest Information Center                                   | No change.  | No  |
| Sandia Man Cave Trailhead   | Gate and reduce the season to May 1 thru September 30 <sup>th</sup> .   | Work with tribes to consider access needs granted by treaty rights. |
| Strip Mine Trailhead  | No change.  | No  |
| Sulphur Canyon Picnic Site  | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.  | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.                 |

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| Tecolote Trailhead  | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Close campground, defer decommissioning (removing facilities) until a later date. | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.               |
| Tijeras Pueblo Interpretive Site                            | No change.   | No  |
| Tree Springs Trailhead                                      | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.   | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.               |
| Tunnel Canyon Trailhead                                     | No change.   | No  |
| Tunnel Springs Trailhead                                    | No change.   | No  |
| Wolf Spring Trailhead                                       | Increase day use recreation fees for the Crest Highway HIRA from \$3.00 to \$5.00.   | To increase fees the REA process would be followed.               |
| Yucca Area Group Picnic Site (part of the Oak Flat complex) | Reduce season, closing during winter months.   | No  |

***Black Kettle and McClellan Creek National Grasslands Ranger District***

| <b>Site Name</b>          | <b>Proposed Management Action</b>  | <b>Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?*</b>  |
|---------------------------|--|---|
| Black Kettle Campground   | Begin charging a recreation use fee. Reduce area that is mowed. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Improve signing. Add small group pavilion and create a camper turn around on the North end. | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed. |
| Black Kettle Boating Site | Begin charging a recreation use fee. Reduce area that is mowed. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards.   | To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Cheyenne Nature Walk      | Pursue options for operating through a partner agreement.  | No  |
| Croton Creek Trailhead    | Reduce area that is mowed.   | No  |
| East Bluff #1 Campground  | Reduce area that is mowed. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Remove trash cans. Reduce the length of the open season  | No  |
| East Bluff #2 Campground  | Reduce area that is mowed. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Remove trash cans. Reduce the length of the open season  | No  |

| Site Name                         | Proposed Management Action   | Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?*               |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| East Bluff #3 Campground          | Reduce area that is mowed. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Remove trash cans. Reduce the length of the open season  | No  |
| Fishermans Point Fishing Site     | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards.   | No  |
| Lake Marvin Recreation Building   | Consider partnerships to reduce costs. Utilize volunteers. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Reduce area that is mowed.   | No  |
| Lake Marvin- Boating Site         | Consider partnerships to reduce costs. Utilize volunteers. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Reduce area that is mowed.   | No  |
| Lake Marvin- Campground           | Consider partnerships to reduce costs. Utilize volunteers. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Reduce area that is mowed.   | No  |
| Lake Marvin- Picnic Site          | Consider partnerships to reduce costs. Utilize volunteers. Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Historical cabins require a section 106 clearance.   | No  |
| Lake McClellan Boating Site       | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Utilize volunteers. Remove FS trash cans. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing and operations on site. Reduce area that is mowed.   | No  |
| Lake McClellan ORV Area Trailhead | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Utilize volunteers. Remove FS dumpster, remove waste management dumpster. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing and operations on site. Add tables and campsites. Reduce area that is mowed.   | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| Lake McClellan- Campground        | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Remove FS dumpsters. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing, and operations on site. DM increased because the concrete ramp should be attached to this site rather than the McDowell picnic site. Reduce area that is mowed. Construct host site at former concession bldg. site. | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |

| Site Name                                 | Proposed Management Action  | Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?*               |
|---|---|---|
| Lake McClellan-Picnic Site                | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Remove FS dumpsters. Utilize volunteers. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing and operations on site. Reduce area that is mowed. Add an additional toilet building (to replace original burned in the fire.)                         | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| McClellan Large Group Shelter Picnic Site | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Remove FS dumpsters, charge a fee through REA. Utilize volunteers. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing and operations on site. . Reduce area that is mowed. Install a toilet (to replace the burned concession building restrooms.) | NEPA analysis would be required for any ground disturbing activities. |
| McDowell-Campground                       | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Remove FS dumpsters. Utilize volunteers. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing, and operations on site. . Reduce area that is mowed.  | No  |
| McDowell - Fishing Site                   | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Utilize volunteers. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing, and operations on site. . Reduce area that is mowed.   | No  |
| McDowell-Picnic Site                      | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Remove FS dumpsters. Utilize volunteers. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing, and operations on site. Reduce area that is mowed.  | No  |
| Skipout Campground                        | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Begin charging a recreation use fee. Reduce area that is mowed.  | To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed.             |
| Skipout Lake Boating Site                 | Improve visitor information and bulletin boards. Begin charging a recreation use fee. Reduce area that is mowed.  | To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed.             |
| Southside Picnic Site                     | Close water system. Reduce season, remove small FS dumpsters. Reduce area that is mowed. Use a contractor to do light maintenance, mowing, and operations on site.  | No  |
| Spring Creek Campground                   | Reduce area that is mowed.  | No  |

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| Site Name                            | Proposed Management Action   | Further Analysis and Decisions Necessary to Implement?*   |
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| Felt Picnic Site                     | Continue to operate through an MOU with the county. Add Kiosk.   | No  |
| Mills Canyon Campground              | Begin charging a recreation use fee. Reduce the season by closing in the winter.   | To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Mills Canyon Rim Campground          | Begin charging a recreation use fee. This is a new site that was opened for use in 2008.   | To begin charging fees the REA process would be followed.   |
| Santa Fe Trailhead Interpretive Site | Conversion of walkway to meet accessibility standards. Restroom walkway is already accessible.   | No  |
| Thompson Grove Picnic Site           | Permittee currently does maintenance to the well. Possible winter closure by closing toilets to reduce costs. Beyond the 5 year program of work, this site should have additional construction to accommodate camping for hunters. | Not within the life of this 5 year program of work, future expansion would require NEPA analysis. |