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Pike and San Isabel National Forests Notice of Intent and Scoping for Travel Management Environmental Impact Statement

Pueblo, CO. – The Pike and San Isabel National Forests (PSI) are planning to complete an environmental impact statement (EIS) for travel management as part of a 2015 settlement agreement related to motorized access as published on the PSI's Motor Vehicle Use Maps (MVUMs). Analysis in the EIS would determine which roads and trails would be open for public motorized use and included in future MVUMs. Scoping for travel management began on July 25, 2016 with publication in the Federal Register a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS. With publication of the NOI, a 45-day comment period has begun—centered on public scoping. Scoping is a process used to identify important issues and determine the extent of analysis necessary for an informed decision on a proposed action. Input is crucial to the EIS process and public meetings are respectively planned for August 23, 24, and 25, 2016 in Pueblo, Salida, and Colorado Springs. Information related to the PSI's travel management process is located on the project-specific website: www.psitravelmanagement.org.

Meeting dates and locations are as follows:

- **Tuesday, August 23, 2016:** 5 – 7 p.m., Pueblo Community College, Fortino Ballroom
900 West Orman Avenue, Pueblo CO, 81004
- **Wednesday, August 24, 2016:** 5 – 7 p.m., Steam Plant Theatre and Event Center Ballroom
220 West Sackett Street, Salida, CO 81201
- **Thursday, August 25, 2016:** 5 – 7 p.m., Colorado Springs Utilities, Pikes Peak Room, Leon Young Service Center, 1521 S. Hancock Expressway, Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Each meeting will include an opportunity for the public discuss the proposed action with Forest Service personnel and view maps of the proposed alternatives. The public is also encouraged to provide input regarding developing reasonable alternatives, resources to be evaluated, and other significant issues. Comments will be accepted through close of business on September 8, 2016, and submitted to:

- *Write comments* to: Travel Management, Pike & San Isabel National Forests, 2840 Kachina Dr., Pueblo, CO 81008
- *Email comments* to: comments@psitravelmanagement.org
- *Fax comments* to: (719) 553-1440
- Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call 1-800-877-8339 Monday through Friday between 8 AM and 8 PM, Eastern Standard Time.

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