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Dear Proponent:

Thank you for your interest in obtaining a special use permit on the Dixie National Forest (DNF). We recognize the important contribution(s) that Outfitter and Guide operations play in providing forest users multiple recreation opportunities on the DNF. Unfortunately, we currently have a significant staffing shortage in the DNF's recreation program, which limits our ability to proceed with review and processing proposals for recreation special use permits.

We are aggressively working to fill those vacancies. However, until we have adequate staffing, we will be unable to process any requests for new recreation special use permits other than those for noncommercial group use.

We will retain your documents and contact you when we are ready to proceed with review of your proposal. We anticipate the earliest that we will be able to begin reviewing proposals will be after January 1, 2024.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact our Public Service Staff Officer at 435.865.3700.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Sincerely,

KEVIN WRIGHT Forest Supervisor



