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Forest Service Seeking Public Input on Project to Convert Forest Road to Non-Motorized Trail in Gore Creek Area

(YAMPA, Colo.) November 9, 2017 – The U.S. Forest Service is proposing to convert 1.5 miles of Forest Road 272.1, on the Routt National Forest, to a non-motorized trail and restore the surrounding ecosystem. The project is in the Gore Creek area, approximately 17 miles east of Yampa, Colo.

The project will address riparian habitat degradation and impact to the High Rock Creek watershed, while retaining recreational opportunities and improving the local ecosystem.

In addition to the road conversion, proposed actions include restoring impacted wetland areas and creation of a vehicle turnaround at the junction with Forest Road 263.1.

The Yampa Ranger District is seeking public input regarding this proposal during a 30-day formal comment period. Detailed public comments will help the Forest Service make an informed decision.

Please direct comments and/or questions to Melissa Dressen, Wildlife Biologist, Yampa Ranger District. Comments can be submitted via email to comments-rocky-mountain-medicine-bow-yampa@fs.fed.us with “Forest Service Road 272.1 Conversion” in the subject line, fax (970-638-4635), or mail or hand delivery to:

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Additional information, including the Draft Environmental Assessment is available at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=49979>.

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