



The proposed Colorado Roadless Rule is entering the formal public comment period, which has specific legal sideboards established by the Administrative Procedures Act (APA). Under the APA, public input must be clearly documented in a written record for it to be considered in the development of a final rule and final environmental impact statement (EIS). For this reason, we are not using public dialogue to inform changes for the final rule and EIS. Only feedback that is formally submitted in writing will be considered.

How to Submit Formal Comment

In order for a comment on the proposed rule to be considered and become part of the record for the development of the final rule, it must be submitted and received within 90 days of the publication of the proposed rule in the Federal Register.

It would be helpful if comments:

- Identify the section or sections of the proposed rule a comment is referring to (each rule section is numbered);
- State each concern, criticism and/or suggestion (including suggested rule text) as clearly and specifically as possible;
- If commenting on a specific mapped area, such as the location of an upper tier boundary, include a map, GIS shapefile, or clear description of the location; and
- Focus on this rulemaking and not on other issues and concerns regarding the Forest Service.

Comments on the proposed rule and/or the Revised Draft Environmental Impact Statement can be submitted through:

- 1. The internet:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. This is the preferred method of providing input because it facilitates the processing of comments and thus the least costly to taxpayers.
- 2. Email:** COComments@fsroadless.org
- 3. Mail:** Colorado Roadless Rule/EIS
P.O. Box 1919
Sacramento, CA 95812
- 4. Fax:** 916-456-6724

All comments, including names and addresses, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying.