Rationale for Designating/Not Designating Roads and Motorized Trails

Santa Fe National Forest Westside South Half
Travel Management Proposed Action

Legend

Designated Routes and Areas

- Open to All Vehicles
- Open to Vehicles Legal on Paved Highways
- Open to Vehicles <= 50"
- Open to Motorcycles Only
- Area Open to Cross-Country Travel

Orange highlighted routes indicate proposed designated route is coincident with user provided route.

- User Provided Route Not Designated
- System Road Not Designated (Proposed to be Closed to Motorized Use by the General Public)
- System Trail
- Main Road or Other Access Road
- Designated Wilderness Area
- Non-Motorized Area (Sources include Forest Plan and Closure Orders)
- Inventoried Roadless Area
- Non-National Forest System Lands within Santa Fe National Forest

The Rationale Map

To view the rationale codes for designating/not designating a particular road or trail download the GeoPDF toolbar (freeware) to be used with Adobe Reader.
GeoPDF Toolbar:
http://www.terragotech.com/solutions/geopdftoolbar.php
Instructions for using GeoPDF Toolbar:
http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/sfe/travelmgt/geopdfs.htm

Reasons for not designating:

Code	Rationale
A	Damage to soil
B	Damage to watershed and/or water quality
C	Damage to riparian resource
D	Harassment of wildlife and significant disruption of wildlife habitats
E	Damage to vegetation
F	Damage to cultural resources
G	Damage to other forest resource (natural or cultural)
H	Public safety hazard
I	Duplicate route
J	Conflicts between motor vehicle use and existing or proposed recreational uses
K	Conflicts among different classes of motor vehicle uses of NFS lands
L	Motor vehicle use not compatible with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account sound, emissions, and other factors.
N	ROAD not needed
N	TRAIL not proposed by motorized users
O	Oil and gas lease access only
U	Road/Trail segment on private property or dead ends on private property
X	Land transfer (will be transferred)
W	Trail is in, close to, or leads to wilderness

Reasons to designate:

R	Provides recreational opportunities
S	Provides important access
T	Resource damage light or able to be mitigated
P	Private land access
TOT	Private land access/to or through private land

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User provided routes were provided by the public to portray where they currently ride ATVs, motorcycles, and 4WD vehicles.

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Vehicle Designations

"Open to All Vehicles" includes vehicles such as passenger cars, jeeps, ATVs, and motorcycles.
"Open to Vehicles Legal on Paved Highways" includes vehicles such as passenger cars and some motorcycles.
"Open to Vehicles <= 50 inches" includes vehicles such as ATVs and motorcycles.
"Open to Motorcycles Only" is for motorcycles only.