

Appendix B - Definitions

The following terms and definitions will be helpful in reviewing the information presenting in this prospectus and in the Operating Plan template.

Allocation of Use - An amount of use allocated to a holder that is measured in service days or quotas and that is enumerated in a programmatic or project decision that is consistent with the applicable land management plan.

Ancillary Service - A service that supports use authorized by an outfitting and guiding permits and that is provided by a party other than the holder or the holder's employees or agent.

Assigned Site - A location that is authorized for use and occupancy by an outfitting and guiding permit and for which a fee is paid.

Authorized Officer – Line Officer responsible for signing a permit. This is the Dillon District Ranger or Eagle – Holy Cross District Ranger.

Commercial Use - Any use or activity on National Forest System lands (1) where an entry or participation fee is charged or (2) where the primary purpose is the sale of a good or service and, in either case, regardless of whether the use or activity is intended to produce a profit (36 CFR 251.51).

Directives – The Forest Service directives consist of the Forest Service Manual and Handbooks, which organizes the agency's policy, practice, and procedure. The system serves as the primary basis for the internal management and control of all programs and the primary source of administrative direction to employees. They may be reviewed at the following website addresses:

Forest Service Manual 2700:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/im/directives/dughtml/fsm.html>

Forest Service Handbook 2709.11 :

http://www.fs.fed.us/im/directives/dughtml/fsh_1.html

Group Size – The maximum group size for riding bicycles is up to 14 clients and 1 guide. This number was set during the Capacity analysis for the area. It constitutes the maximum group size one can reasonably expect to encounter while using trails in the area.

Guiding – Providing services or assistance (such as supervision, protection, education, training, packing, touring, subsistence, transporting people, or interpretation) for profit or gain to individuals or groups on National Forest System lands. The term "guide" includes the permit holder's employees and agents.

Holder (Permit Holder) – An applicant who has received a special use authorization to conduct outfitting, guiding, or transporting activities.

Outfitting – Renting on or delivering to National Forest System lands for pecuniary remuneration or other gain any saddle or pack animal, vehicle, boat, camping gear, or similar supplies or equipment. The term "outfitter" includes the holder's employees and agents.

Needs Assessment -_An assessment of public or agency need for authorized outfitting or guiding activities.

Priority Use – Authorization of use for up to 10-years, based on the holder's past use and performance and applicable programmatic or project decisions to allocate use. Except as provided in 36 CFR Part 251, Subpart E, authorizations providing for priority use are subject to renewal (FSH 2709.14, sec. 53.1m). **Regarding this prospectus, successful bidders will be issued a 2-year probationary priority special use permit or may be issued a special use permit for up to 10-years.** See *Section I – INTRODUCTION* for more information. Renewal is at the sole discretion of the authorized officer.

Priority Use Pool - A pool of service days or quotas in a use area that may be: (1). Distributed seasonally to priority use permit holders in that use area and returned to the pool for redistribution during the next open season; or (2). Distributed for the term of a permit to increase use allocated under priority use permits or to establish use for new priority use permits.

Quota - An allocation of use that is measured as the number of stock per trip (bikes/trip), people at one time, trips per hour or per day, the number of launches per day, or other unit of measure other than a service day; that is consistent with applicable land management plan guidance, and that is established in a programmatic or project decision.

Resource Capacity - Amount of overall use an area can sustain without detrimental social or physical resource impacts.

Service Day – An allocation of use constituting a day or any part of a day on National Forest System lands for which a transporter, outfitter or guide provides services to an individual client. For a day trip, the number of service days equals the number of clients.

Special Use Permit/Special Use Authorization – These terms are used interchangeably for the authorization to conduct commercial activities on National Forest System lands. A Special Use Authorization is not a contract. It is permissive in nature and is not saleable, transferable or assignable in whole or in part. Special Use Authorizations are enforceable under 36 CFR 261.1. See Appendix C – Sample Special Use Permit FS-2700-4i.

Transporting - Delivering people to National Forest System lands for profit or gain using any vehicle – taxi, bus, van, car, truck, plane, boat, etc. The term "transporter" includes the permit holder's employees and agents.

Trip Window - The quota that will be used for bicycle/client deliveries times. This constitutes a 1-hour period (e. g. 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, etc.) The authorization will allow for the delivery of up to 28 bike/clients per trip window. Once a delivery has been made, deliveries of over 14 clients plus 1 guide (if applicable) must be split up to meet the group size quota.