

Shoshone National Forest - North Zone

Proposal Ideas Submitted for Consideration and Rationale for Disposition

| Unit | Location | Proposal Number | Proposal Type | Part of Proposed Action? | Rationale |
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| Submitted proposals - Summer | | | | | |
| North Zone | Line Creek | NZ-01 | Motorized Trail - 65" or less | Yes | Provides effective connector; opportunities for youth; low-moderate resource concerns |
| North Zone | Sawtooth | NZ-02 | Road | No | Not consistent with Forest Plan; summer non-motorized |
| North Zone | Morrison Move Gate uphill | NZ-03 | Gate | Yes | Popular motorized rec area; Provides shoulder season motorized opportunities; low resource concerns |
| North Zone | Little Sunlight TH | NZ-04 | Trailhead | No | Outside scope of travel management; will be addressed in separate analysis |
| North Zone | Clarks Fork W&S | NZ-05 | Closure | No | Popular motorized rec area; area of high recreation value; low to moderate benefit to close; difficult to close resulting in high compliance issues |
| North Zone | Rattlesnake to Paint Creek | NZ-06 | Motorized Trail | No | Not consistent with Forest Plan (in Wilderness); route not feasible out of Wilderness |
| North Zone | Sweetwater | NZ-07 | Closure | Yes - Modified | Modified: close road after 1st low water crossing to reduce watershed effects; high rec benefit to keep open in area with few opportunities; high # users |
| North Zone | Elk Fk | NZ-08 | Closure | No | Very high rec value to keep open in area with limited opportunities; high # of users |
| North Zone | Kitty Creek | NZ-09 | Motorized Trail | No | Decision to close access to Wilderness boundary still valid |
| North Zone | Carter | NZ-10 | Motorized Trail | No | Northern part of proposal not feasible due to terrain; southern loop high watershed concerns |
| North Zone | Timber Creek FSR 204.2E to 203.1B | NZ-11 | Motorized Trail | No | No easement across private |
| North Zone | Timber Ck to Dick Lakes with Gwinn Fork | NZ-12 | Road | Yes - Modified | Timber Ck to Dick Ck Lakes portion would displace current non-motorized users; motorized route not feasible in some areas. Add Gwinn Fork - high recreation value on existing ML 1 road with low resource concerns with seasonal restriction. |
| North Zone | Aspen Trail | NZ-13 | Motorized Trail | No | Effects to roadless; would displace current non-motorized users; high watershed concerns |
| North Zone | Convert X-Country Ski Trails to Motorized | NZ-13A | Motorized Trail | No | Would displace current horse users; would not meet intent (youth opps); increase in enforcement issues; mod-high resource concerns |
| North Zone | Gooseberry | NZ-14 | Road | Yes | Provides a high value loop opportunity; low-mod resource concerns. |
| North Zone | Grass Creek | NZ-15 | Road | Yes - Modified | Lower portion not feasible due to terrain; displaces non-motorized users; upper loop at Twin Lakes added; provides small approx 2 mile loop |
| North Zone | Logan Mountain | NZ-16 | Road | No | No easement or legal access for public |
| North Zone | Sunlight Basin | NZ-17 | Road | No | No easement |
| North Zone | Gas Creek | NZ-18 | Road | No | Outside scope of travel management; will be addressed in separate analysis |

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| North Zone | Beem Gulch | NZ-19 | Seasonal Use Restriction | Yes | Added to comply with Forest Plan; adds a seasonal restriction |
| North Zone | Line Creek | NZ-20 | Closure | Yes - Modified | Low benefit to closing roads; forecloses on opportunity NZ-1. Modified proposal is to close one redundant route. |
| North Zone | Little Rock Creek | NZ-21 | Closure | No | Low benefit to closing roads; Mod-high rec value during hunting season and shoulder seasons. |
| North Zone | Clarks Fork Canyon | NZ-22 | Gate | No | Adding gate on BLM - outside of FS jurisdiction; move to FS boundary - low benefit to moving; high impact to current motorized users in a popular rec area |
| North Zone | Sulphur Creek | NZ-23 | Closure | Yes - Modified | Low benefit to closure. Very popular motorized recreation area. Modified proposal is to close at the private land boundary because there is no easement. |
| North Zone | Upper Sunlight | NZ-24 | Closure | No | Low benefit to closure. Very popular motorized recreation area. |
| North Zone | Fantan Lake | NZ-25 | Closure | No | Low benefit to closure. Very popular motorized recreation area. Change to existing use. |
| North Zone | Kirwin | NZ-26 | Motorized Trail | No | Not consistent with Forest Plan-summer non-motorized. High heritage concerns. |
| North Zone | Wood River | NZ-27 | Road w/restricted camping | Yes | No known resource concerns; increased ability to enforce compliance |
| North Zone | Blackjack, Dick Creek | NZ-28 | Road | Yes | Reopen existing road. Apply a seasonal restriction. Provides a large effective loop. |
| North Zone | Blackjack, Dick Creek | NZ-28 | Seasonal Use Restriction | Yes | Reopen existing road. Apply a seasonal restriction. Provides a large effective loop. |
| North Zone | Upper Sunlight | NZ-29 | Closure | No | Low benefit to closure. Very popular motorized recreation area. |
| North Zone | Little Rock Creek | NZ-30 | Seasonal Use Restriction | Yes | Add seasonal restriction to be consistent with Forest Plan. Mod-high rec value during hunting season and shoulder seasons. |
| North Zone | Rex Hale CG | NZ-31 | Closure | No | Low benefit to closing; provides power company access. |
| North Zone | Rattlesnake | NZ-32 | Motorized Trail | No | Original decision to close off access to wilderness still valid. High compliance issues. |
| North Zone | Deadman Bench | NZ-33 | Motorized Trail | No | Closed due to PCA. |
| North Zone | Rattlesnake | NZ-34 | Road | Yes | Provides management access at cow camp; small loop; low resource concerns. |
| North Zone | Duck Lake | NZ-35 | Motorized Trail | No | High resource concerns in high elevation, fragile ecosystem. |
| North Zone | Fantan Lake Dispersed Spur | NZ-36 | Road w/restricted camping | Yes | No known resource concerns; increased ability to enforce compliance |
| North Zone | Crandall Creek West Dispersed Spur | NZ-37 | Road w/restricted camping | Yes | No known resource concerns; increased ability to enforce compliance |
| North Zone | Antelope Bench Dispersed Spur | NZ-38 | Road w/restricted camping | Yes | No known resource concerns; increased ability to enforce compliance |
| North Zone | Paint Creek Dispersed Spur | NZ-39 | Road w/restricted camping | Yes | No known resource concerns; increased ability to enforce compliance |
| North Zone | Carter Mountain Dispersed Spur | NZ-40 | Road w/restricted camping | Yes | No known resource concerns; increased ability to enforce compliance |

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| Submitted proposals - WINTER | | | | | |
| North Zone | B-4 Ranch Restriction | NZ-1W | Use Restriction-Trail only | No | Does not address a known resource issue; not a wildlife issue; low compliance concerns |
| North Zone | Close WSA to Snowmobiles | NZ-2W | Closure | No | Not consistent with Forest Plan; open has high recreation value; closing would result in high compliance issues; open no known resource concerns |
| North Zone | Highway 212 New Route | NZ-3W | Snowmobile Trail | No | Not feasible due to bridges; illegal in State of WY |
| North Zone | Ghost Creek New Route | NZ-4W | Snowmobile Trail | Yes | Provides a high value connector; low resource concerns |
| North Zone | Francs Peak Restriction | NZ-5W | Closure | No | N/A - there is already no motorized winter use within 5 miles |