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# Environmental Assessment for Travel Management

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Shoshone National Forest

Clarks Fork, Greybull, Wapiti Ranger districts

Virtual Public Meeting

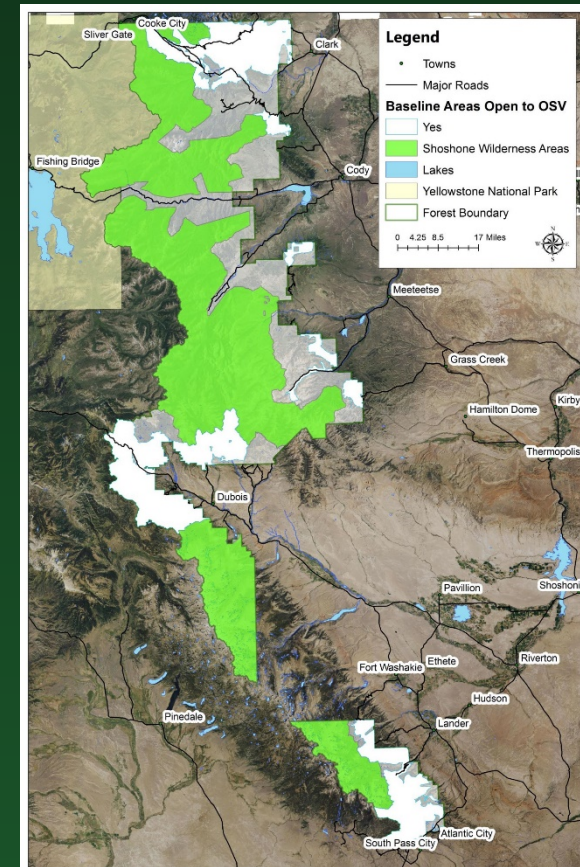
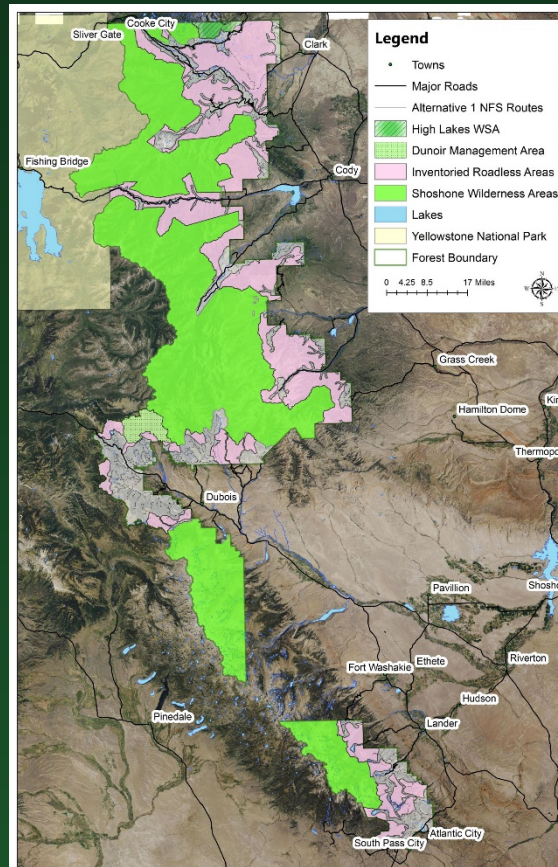
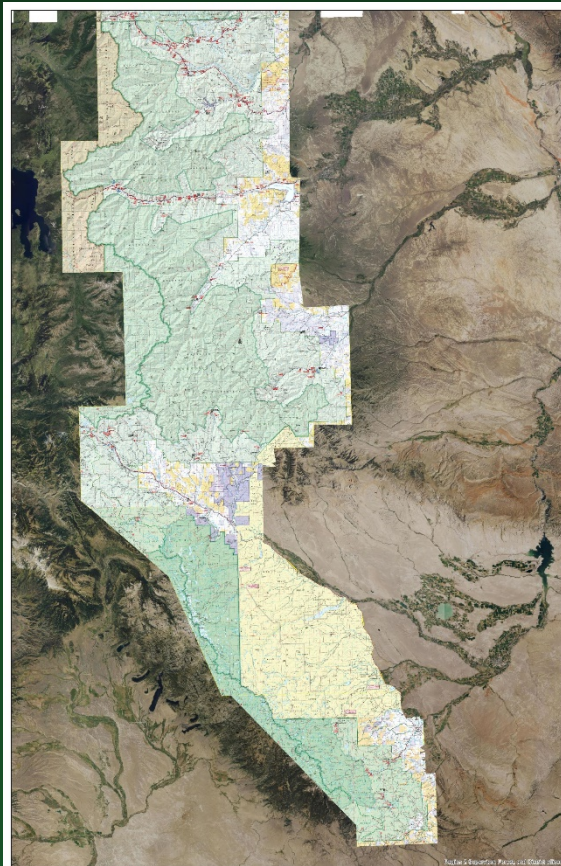
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# Agenda

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- Welcome, layout ground rules, agenda – Kristie Salzmann, Shoshone NF Public Affairs Officer
- Travel Management Planning process – Lisa Timchak, Shoshone NF Supervisor
- Forestwide analysis effort – Mark Foster, Shoshone NF Environmental Coordinator
- District specific maps – Casey McQuiston, District Ranger for Clarks Fork, Greybull & Wapiti districts
- Question & Answer portion
- Next steps

# Forest-wide Analysis: Foundation



# Forest-Wide Analysis: Getting to PA

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## Forest-Wide

- Consider public comments from 2020
- Consider input from key partners
- Review TAP / TAR
- Review Seasonal Closures
- Revise as Necessary Analysis

## NZ Specific Aspects

- Eliminated Eikster Lake Motorized Trail based on public input
- Slightly revised OSV area along Wood River with WGFD input
- Examined and slightly expanded OSV Season Dates to:
  - November 1 to June 15

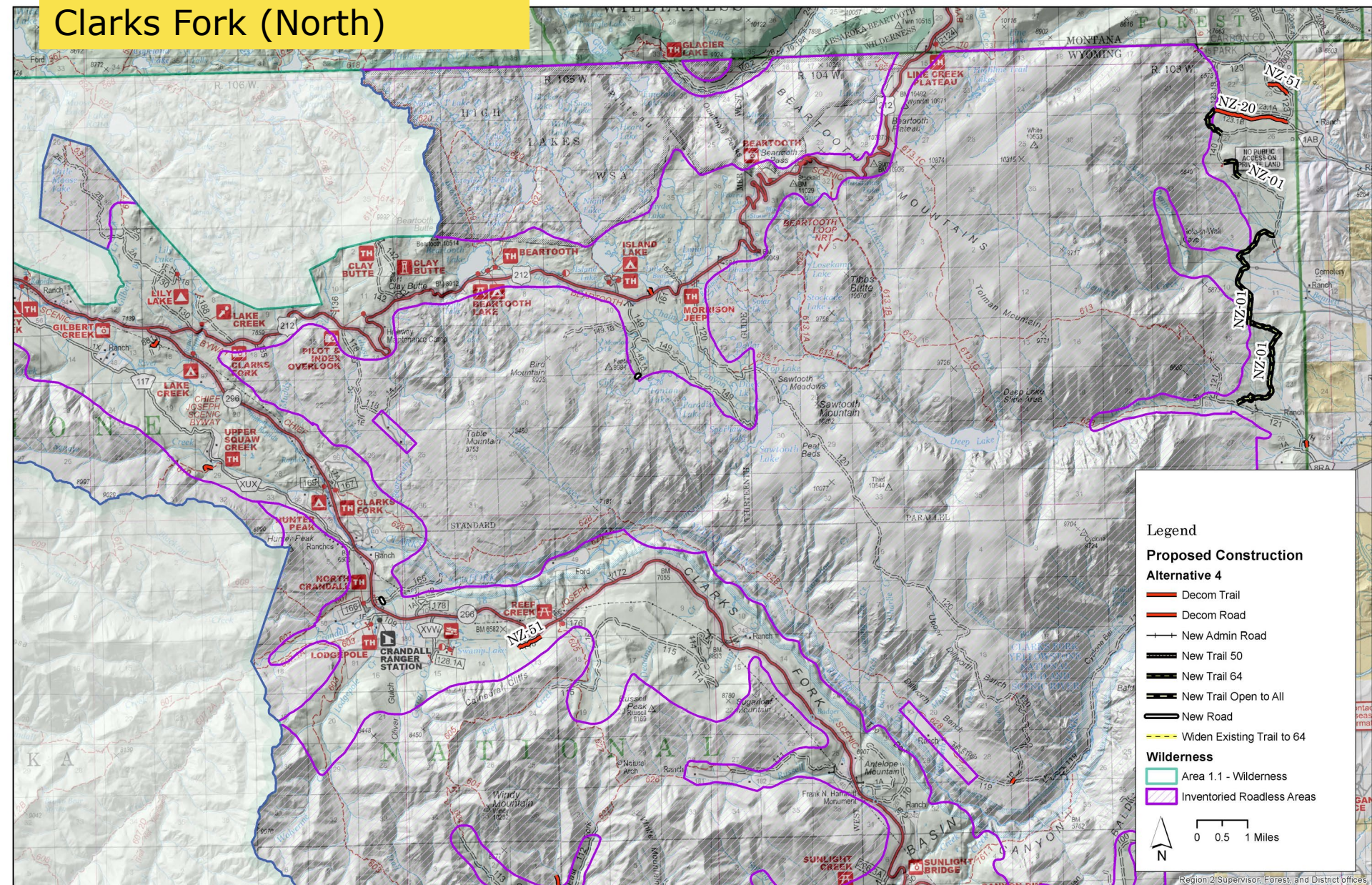
# NZ Statistics – Wheeled Designated System

	Clarks Fork RD	Greybull RD	Wapiti RD
Designated (Open) FS Roads	159	107	69
Closed Roads but Open for Administrative Use	22	8	39
Closed Roads (not open to anyone)	58	35	7
Total Road System	239	149	115
(Alt 1)	241	152	119
New Designated Road (miles shown on MVUM)	0	2	0
Subtotal Additions to Designated Roads	0	2	0
Decommission Road	3	0	1
New Admin Road Closure (existing road, Not on MVUM)	2	2	2
Road Converted To Designated Motorized Trail 64"	0	0	2
Road Converted To MT, Open to All Vehicles	2	1	0
Subtotal Subtractions to Designated Roads	7	2	5
Net Change to the Designated (Open) Road System	-7	0	-5
50" ORV Motorized Trail	0	0	0
64" ORV Motorized Trail	7	4	2
Single Track Motorized Trail	0	0	0
Motorized Trail, Open To All	4	1	0
Subtotal Designated MT System	11	5	2
(Alt 1)	0	0	0
New Constructed MT	7	2	0
Routes Converted to MT	4	3	2
Subtractions to Designated Trail System (Decommission)	0	0	0
Subtotal Additions to Designated Trail System	11	5	2
Total Designated Motorized Route System	169	112	72
(Alt 1)	165	106	74
Net Change to Designated Motorized Route System	4	5	-3
Percentage Change to Designated Route System	2%	5%	-4%

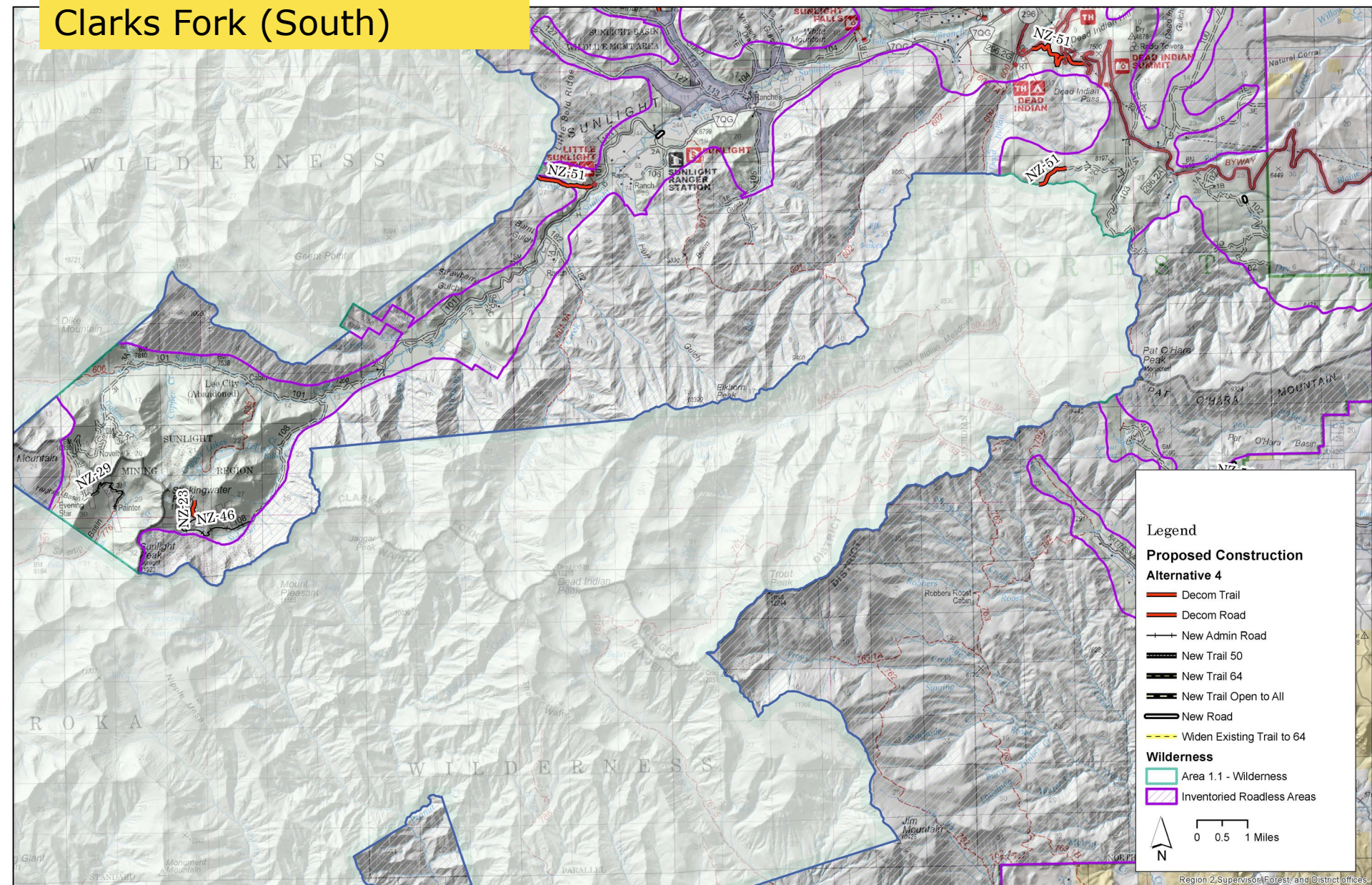
# NZ Statistics – Wheeled Seasonal Closures

	Clarks Fork RD	Greybull RD	Wapiti RD
Existing Seasonally Restrict Designated Roads	104	38	42
Altered Dates on Seasonal Roads	36	0	22
New Seasonally Restricted Designated Roads	14	12	19
Dropped Seasonal Restricted Roads	-4	0	0
Seasonal Restricted Roads Under other Categories (Trail, Admin, Decommission)	-8	-2	-18
Subtotal Seasonal Restricted Designated Road System	107	49	43
(Alt 1)	104	38	42
<b>Difference</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>
Existing Seasonal Designated Trails	0	0	0
New Seasonal Designated Motorized Trails (50 & 64)	6	4	0
New Seasonal Designated Motorized Trails (open to all)	2	0	0
Subtotal Seasonal Designated Trail System	8	4	0
<b>Total Seasonal Designated Motorized System</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>43</b>
(Alt 1)	104	38	42
<b>Difference (mileage)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Difference (percentage)</b>	11%	40%	1%

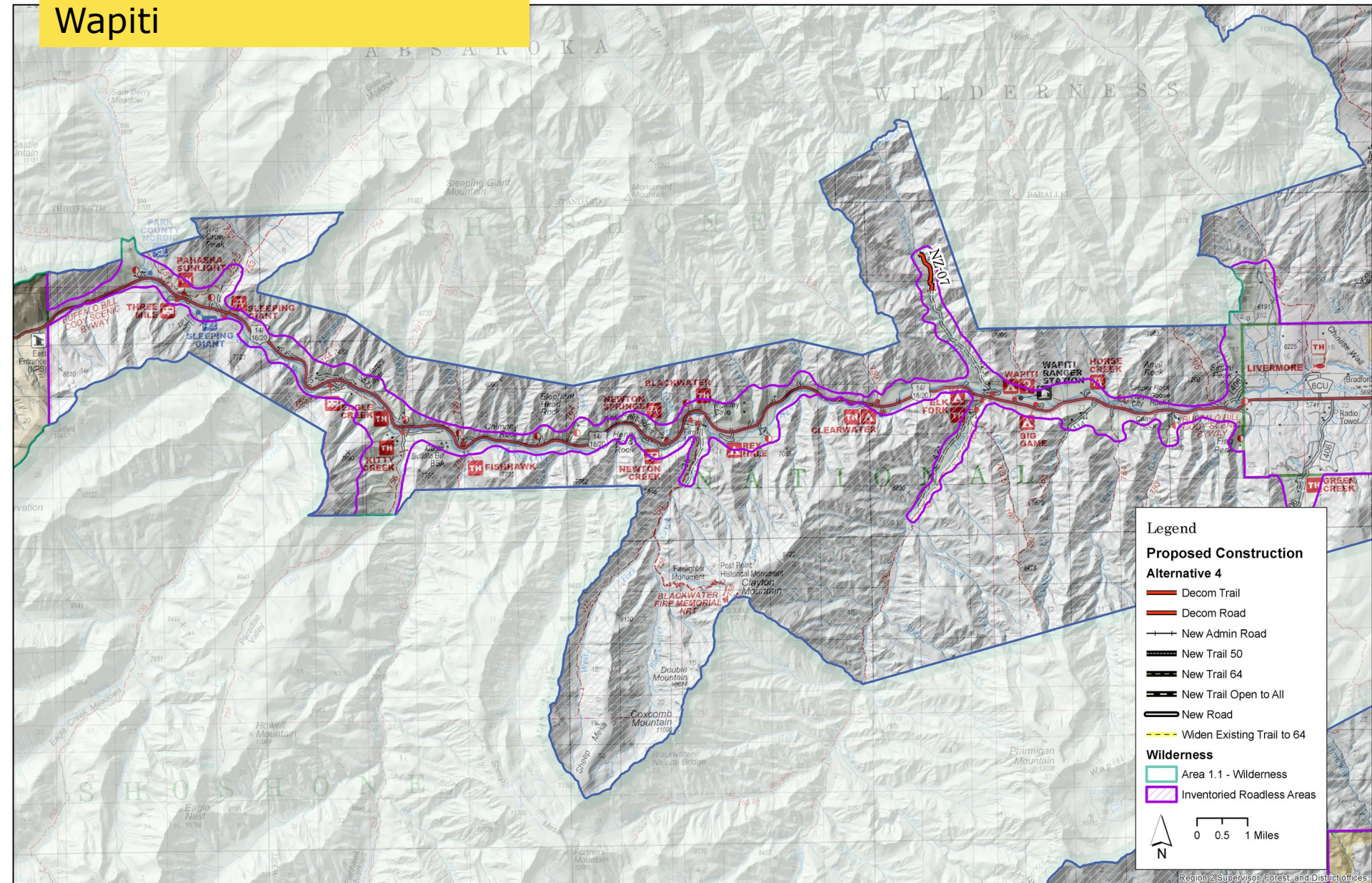
# Clarks Fork (North)



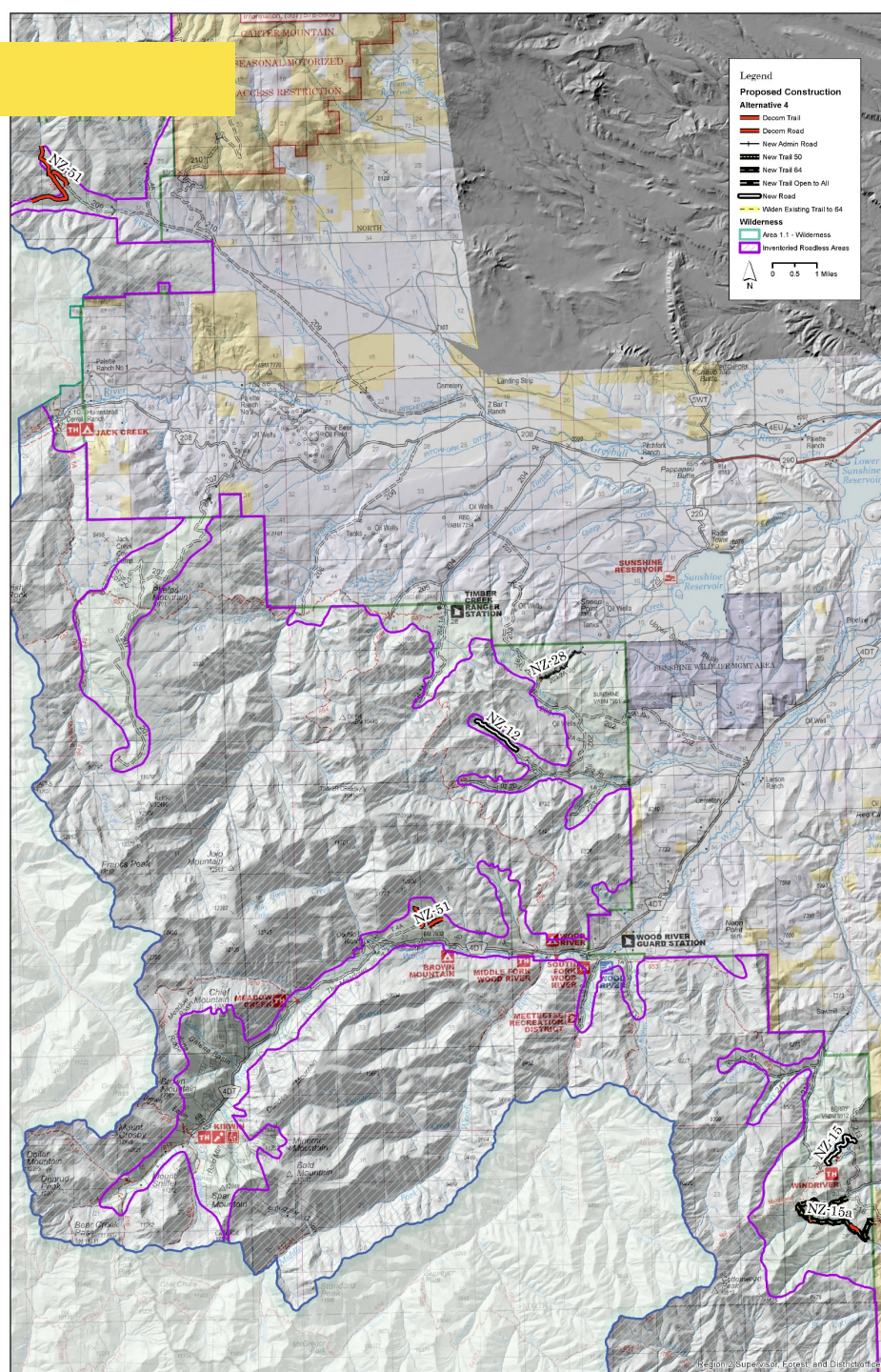
## Clarks Fork (South)



# Wapiti



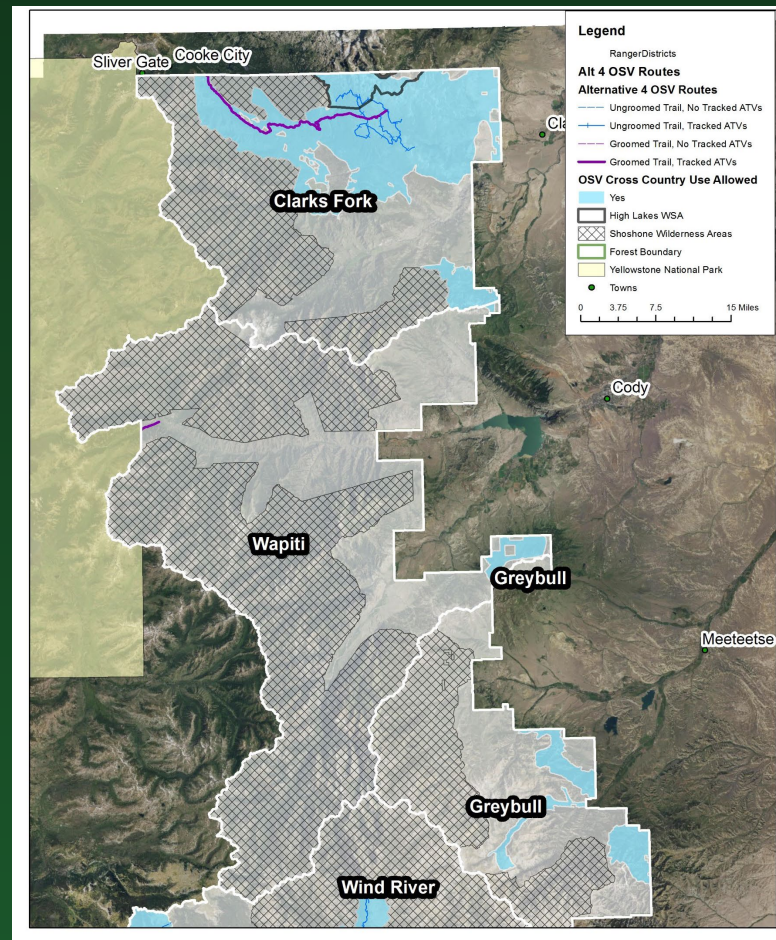
# Greybull



# NZ Statistics – OSV Management

	Clarks Fork RD	Greybull RD	Wapiti RD
State Snowmobile Trails - Groomed	26	0	2
State Snowmobile Trails - Ungroomed	31	0	0
Subtotal Miles	57	0	2
New FS Snowmobile Trails - Ungroomed (miles)	6	0	0
<b>Total FS Snowmobile Trail System</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
Area Open to Motorized Travel (acres)	170788	28664	9140
New Area Closures to Motorized Travel (acres)	0	0	0
Percent of District Open to OSVs	34%	9%	1%
<b>Total Available Area of Motorized Travel (acres)</b>	<b>170788</b>	<b>28664</b>	<b>9140</b>
<i>Alt 1 (acres)</i>	<i>170788</i>	<i>28462</i>	<i>9137</i>
Season Dates			
Open	November 1	November 1	November 1
Close	June 15	June 15	June 15

# NZ Map – OSV Management



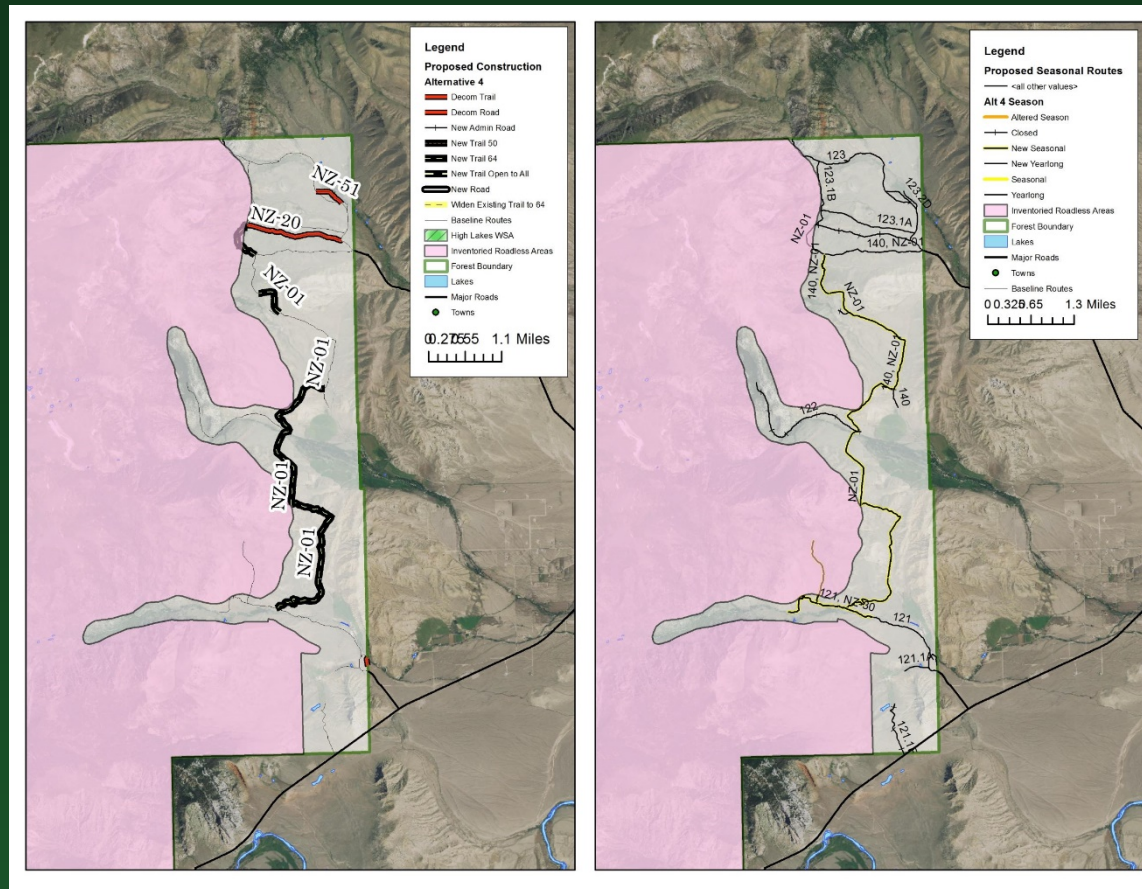


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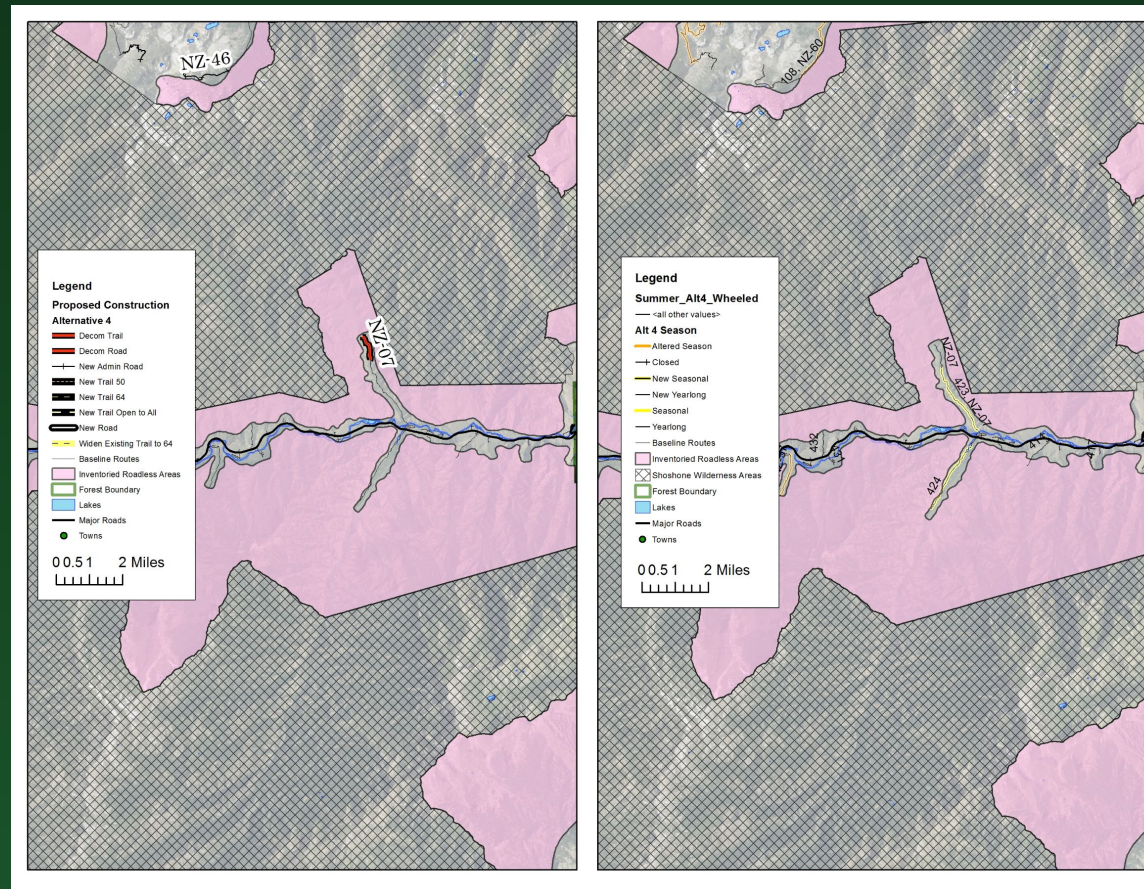
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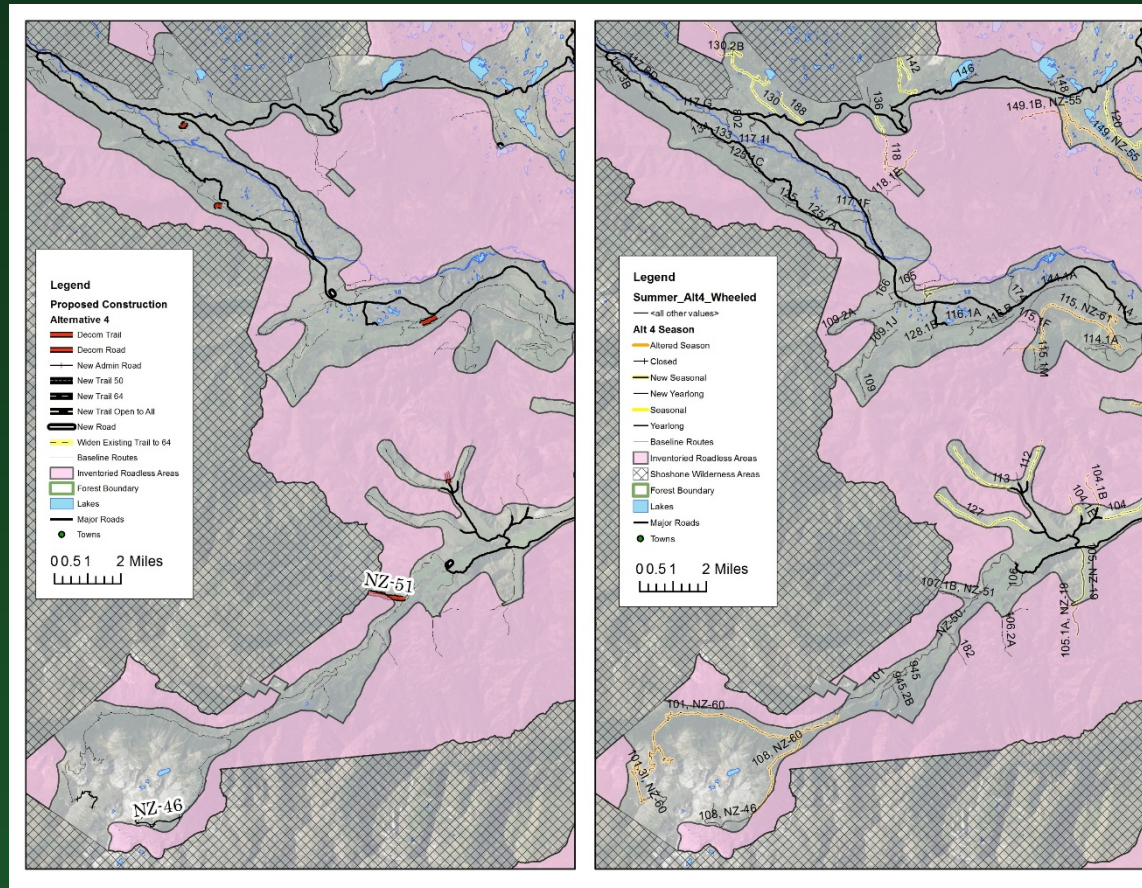
# NZ- specific maps, Wheeled Line Creek



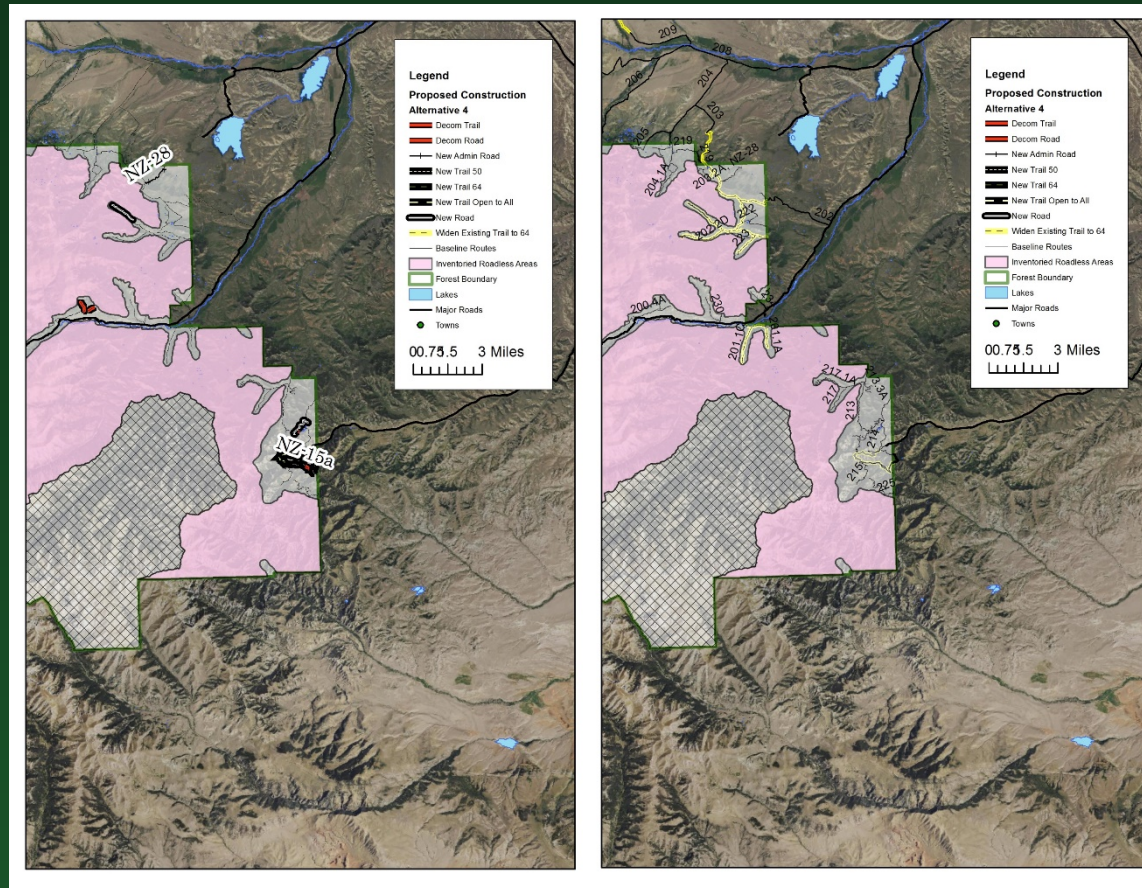
# NZ- specific maps, Sweetwater and Elk Fork



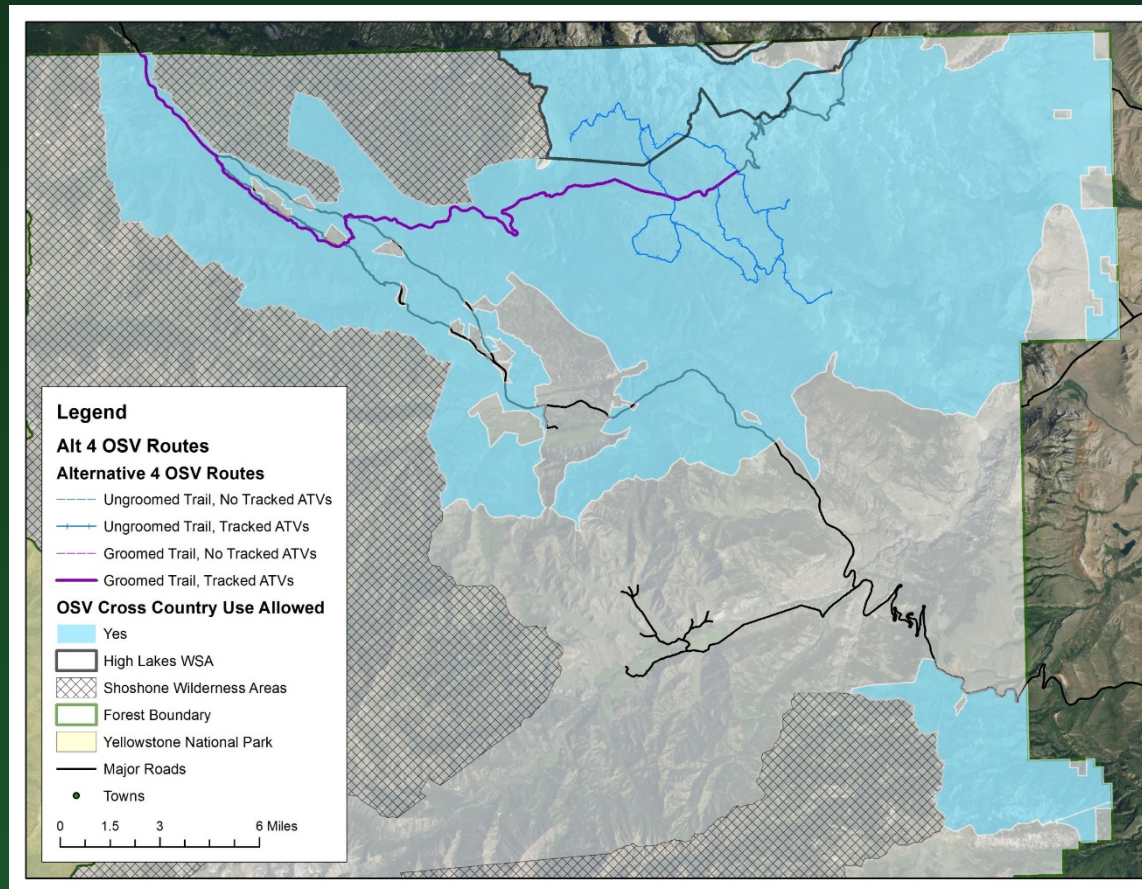
# NZ- specific maps, Wheeled Sunlight



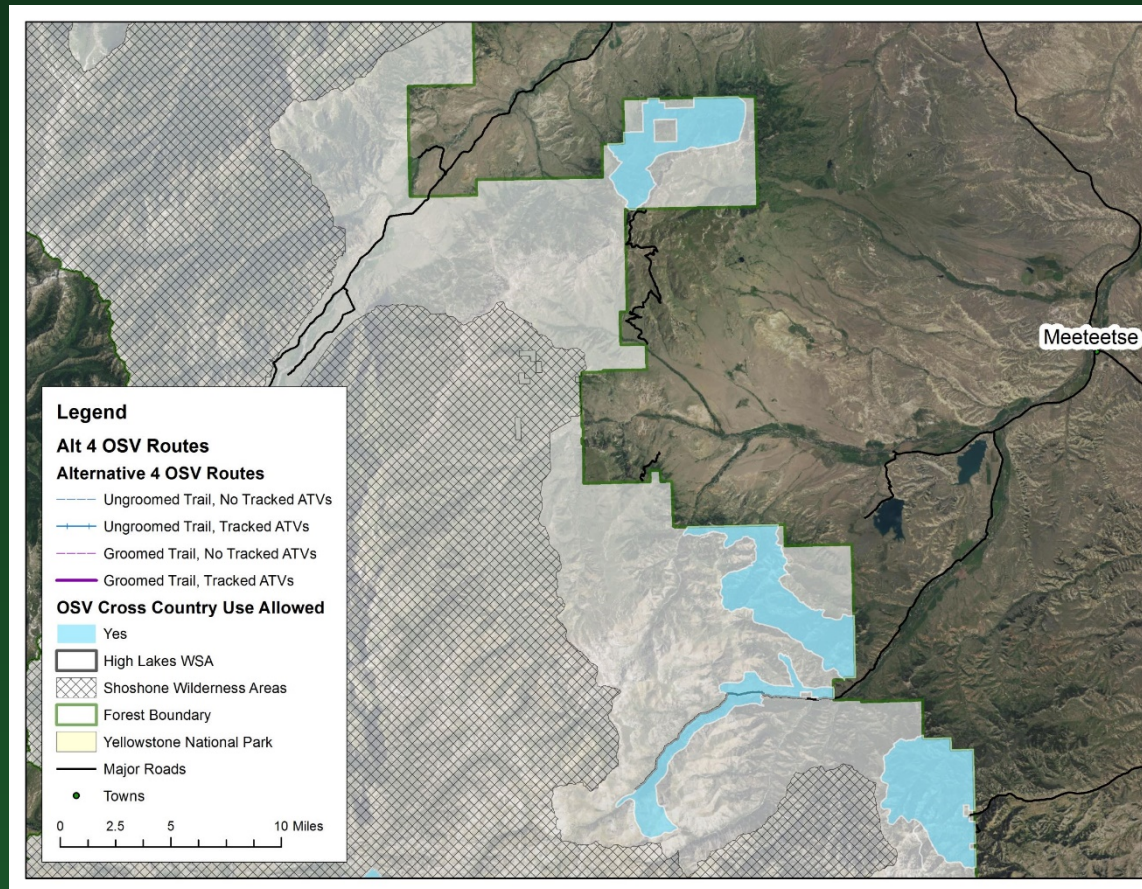
# NZ- specific maps, Wheeled Cottonwood & Gooseberry



# NZ- specific maps, OSV Clarks Fork



# NZ- specific maps, OSV Carter & Greybull



# Thank you for joining us tonight

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- Do you still have questions? Please contact one of the following Shoshone National Forest employees:
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- Submit comments in writing:
  - send an email to [SM.FS.shonfcomment@usda.gov](mailto:SM.FS.shonfcomment@usda.gov) with “Shoshone NF Travel Management Planning Project” in the subject line, or
  - via regular mail to Mark Foster (Environmental Coordinator), Shoshone National Forest, 808 Meadow Lane Avenue, Cody, WY 82414

