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Environmental Assessment for Travel Management

Shoshone National Forest

Washakie Ranger District

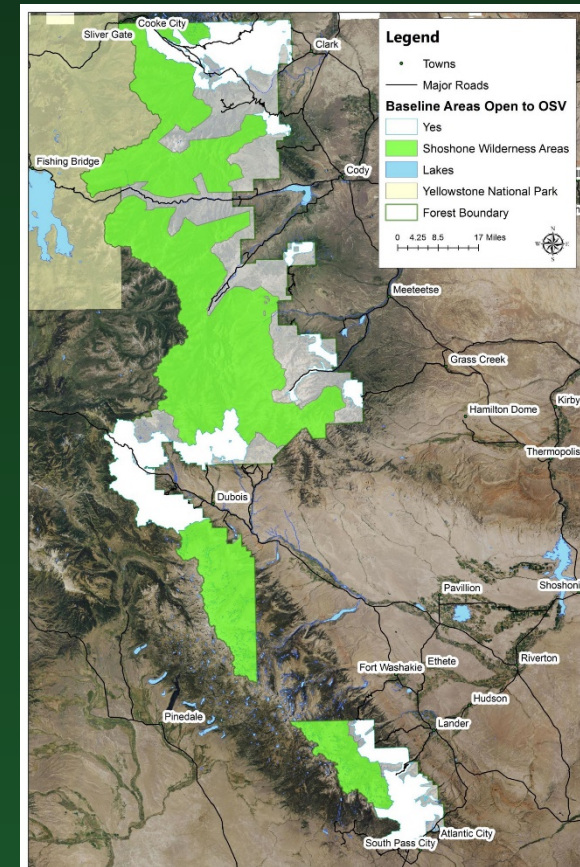
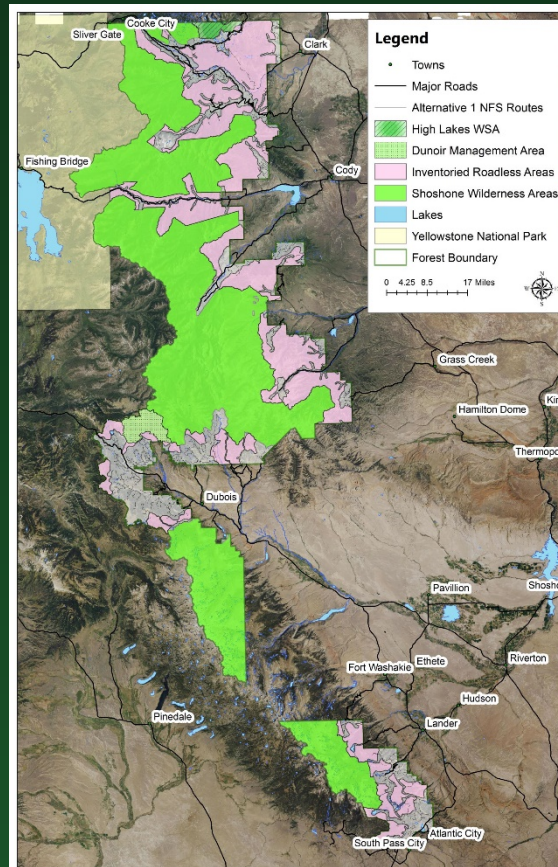
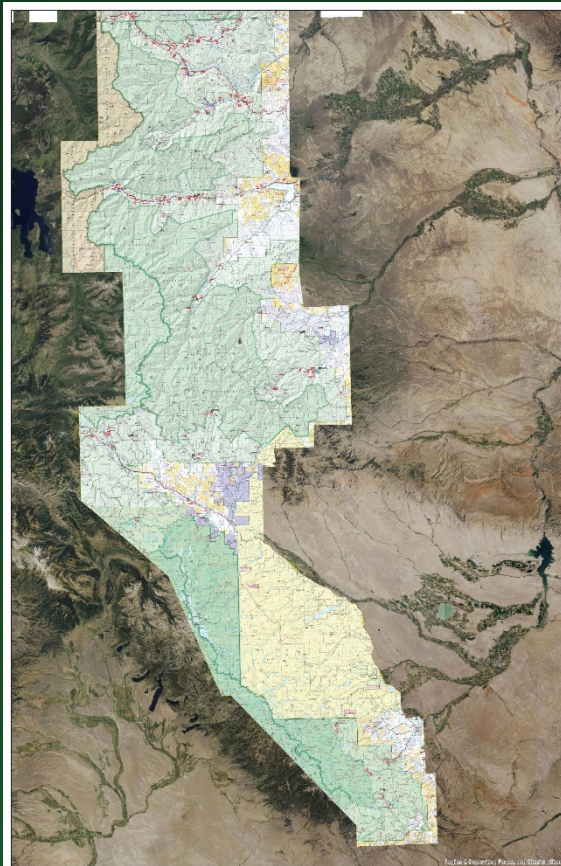
Virtual Public Meeting

November 4, 2021

Agenda

- 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 – Steven Schacht, District Ranger for the Washakie District
- Question & Answer portion
- Next steps

Forest-wide Analysis: Foundation



Forest-Wide Analysis: Getting to PA

Forest-Wide

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

Washakie Specific

- Examined Program Needs
 - Considered TAP/TAR and routes needed for program management
- Examined Motorized Trail Opportunities
 - Pete's Lake and Shoshone Lake
 - Wolf Point
- Incorporated Youngs Mountain OSV Closure
- Examined and Maintained OSV Season Dates:
 - December 1 to May 31

Alternative 4 at the Landscape Scale...

- Seasonal Closures:
 - Current System:
 - 300 miles of roads subject to seasonal closure under special orders.
 - 0 miles of trails
 - Total = 300 (33% of routes subject to seasonal closure)
 - Alternative 4 System:
 - 359 miles of roads subject to seasonal closures.
 - Increase of 59 miles
 - 161 miles of trails
 - Total = 520 Miles (56% of the total wheeled motorized system subject to a seasonal closure)
- New Routes on System
 - 10 miles of new roads
 - 23 miles of new trails
- OSV Management
 - Designated 21% of the Forest open to OSV use
 - Season of Use

Washakie Statistics – Wheeled Designated System

	Washakie RD
Designated (Open) FS Roads	107
Closed Roads but Open for Administrative Use	3
Closed Roads (not open to anyone)	11
Total Road System	122
(Alt 1)	240
New Designated Road (miles shown on MVUM)	2
Subtotal Additions to Designated Roads	2
Decommission Road	2
New Admin Road Closure (existing road, Not on MVUM)	0
Road Converted To Designated Motorized Trail 64"	0
Road Converted To MT, Open to All Vehicles	123
Subtotal Subtractions to Designated Roads	124
Net Change to the Designated (Open) Road System	-123
50" ORV Motorized Trail	12
64" ORV Motorized Trail	2
Single Track Motorized Trail	2
Motorized Trail, Open To All	123
Subtotal Designated MT System	139
(Alt 1)	14
New Constructed MT	9
Routes Converted to MT	123
Subtractions to Designated Trail System (Decommission)	3
Subtotal Additions to Designated Trail System	128
Total Designated Motorized Route System	246
(Alt 1)	244
Net Change to Designated Motorized Route System	2
Percentage Change to Designated Route System	0.8%

Washakie – Wheeled Routes

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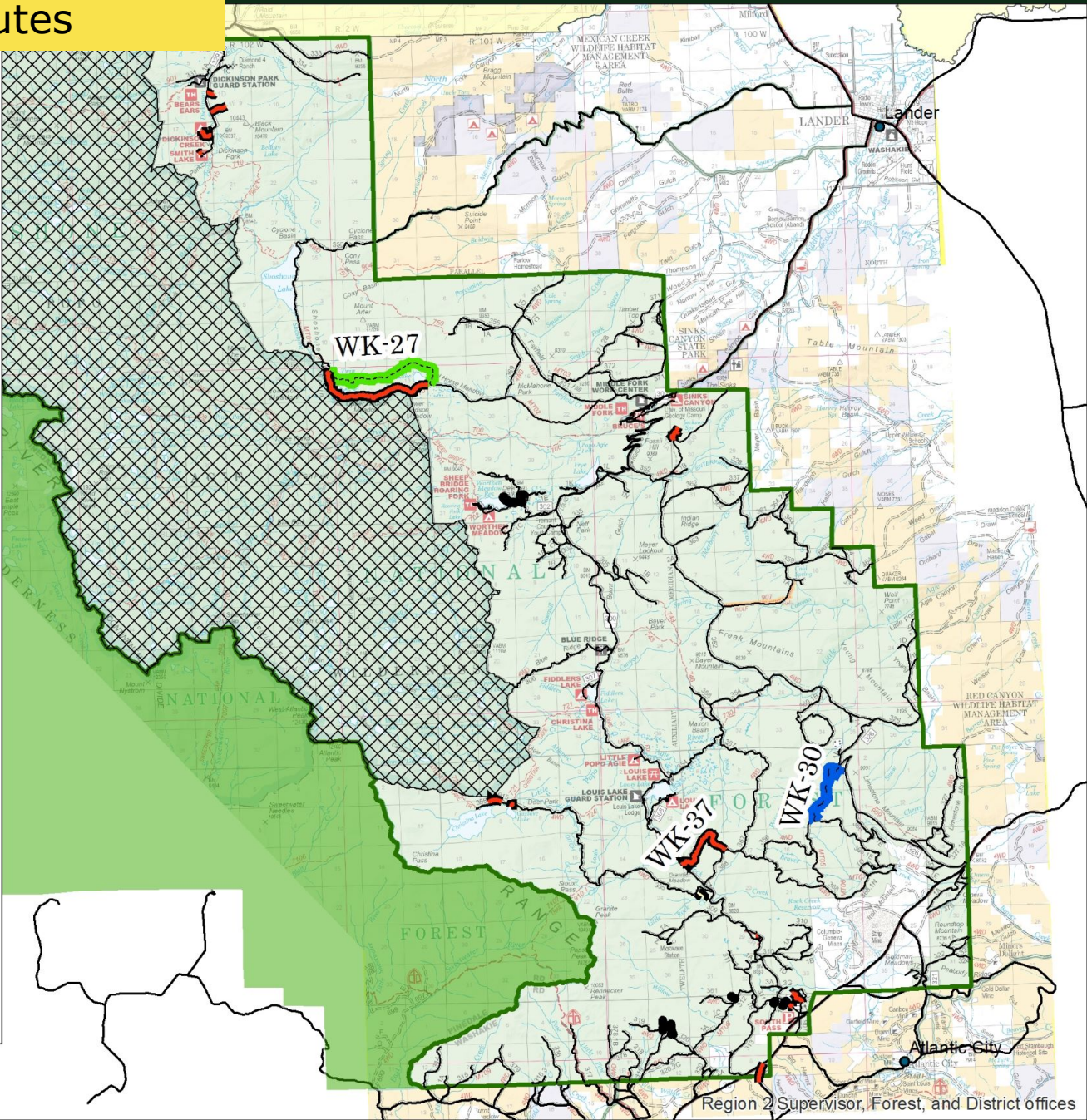
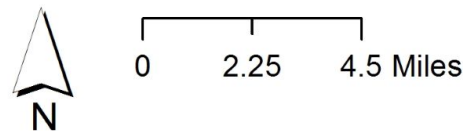
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Washakie – Wheeled +s & -s

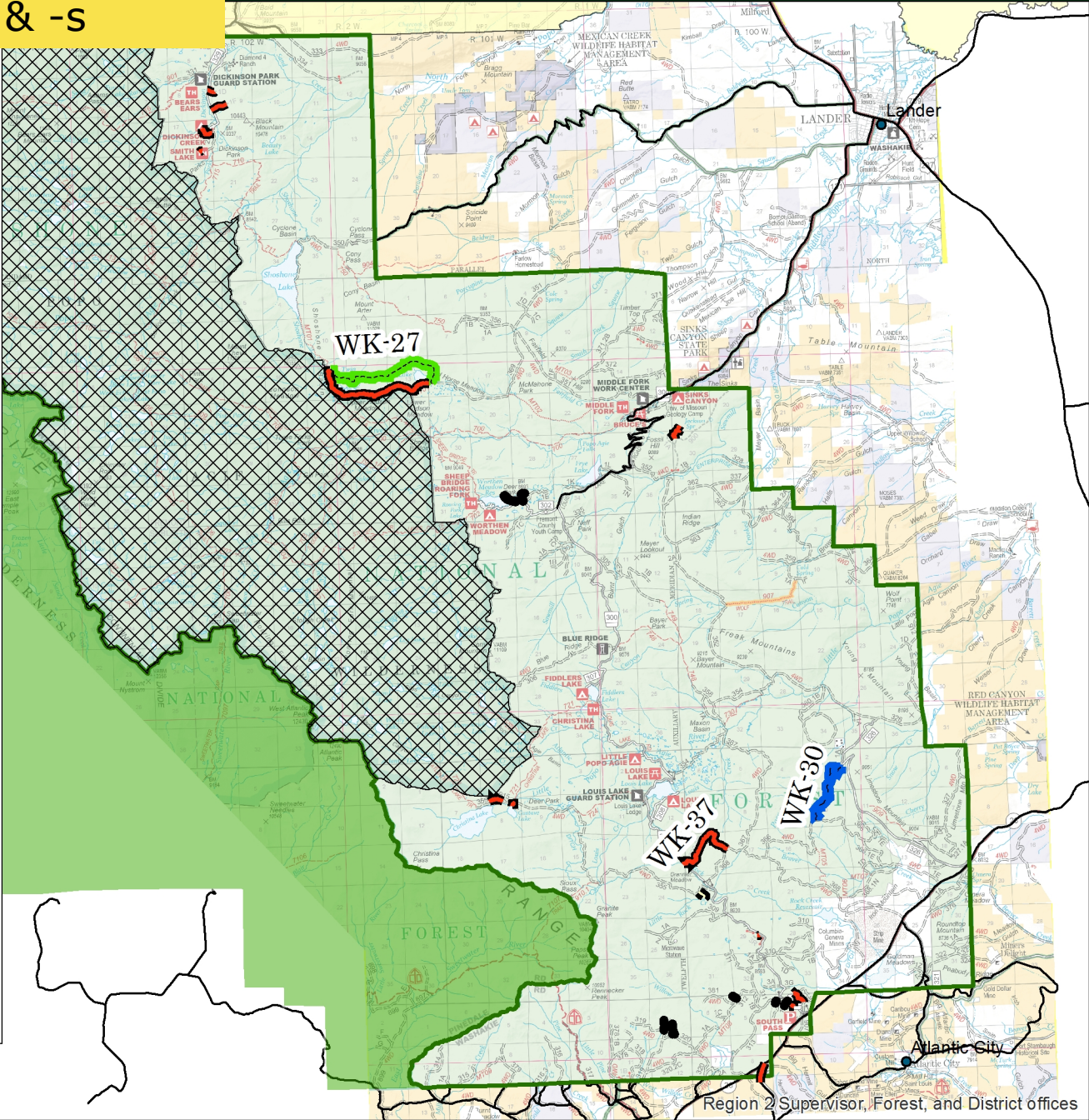
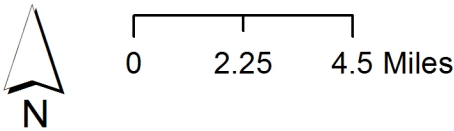
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Washakie – Conversion of Routes

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Proposed Conversions

No Conversion Change

Alt 4 Change

Road To MTrail All Types

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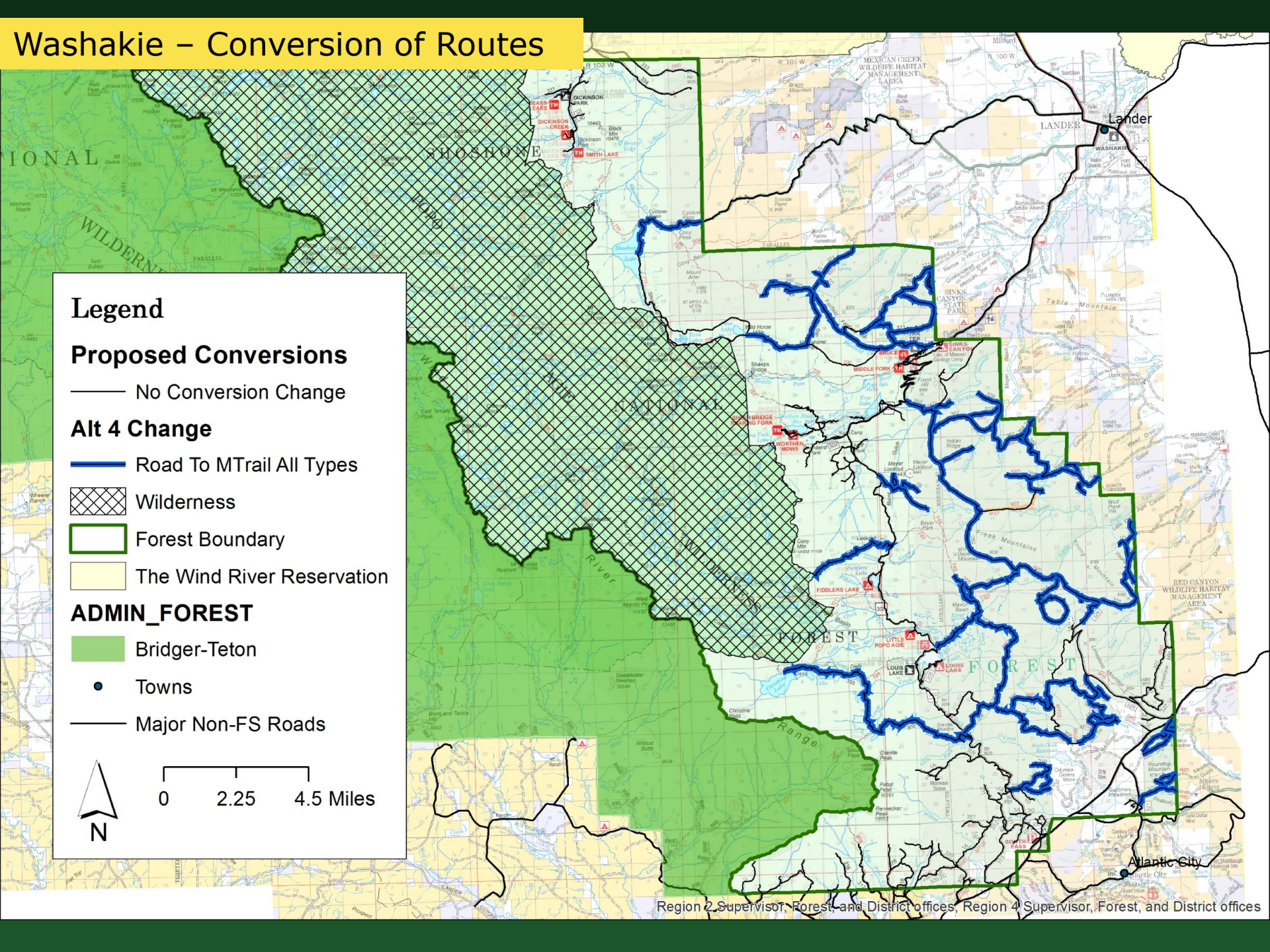
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Washakie Statistics – Wheeled Seasonal Closures

	Washakie RD
Existing Seasonally Restrict Designated Roads	72
Altered Dates on Seasonal Roads	49
New Seasonally Restricted Designated Roads	52
Dropped Seasonal Restricted Roads	0
Seasonal Restricted Roads Under other Categories (Trail, Admin, Decommission)	-23
Subtotal Seasonal Restricted Designated Road System	101
(Alt 1)	72
Difference	23
Existing Seasonal Designated Trails	0
New Seasonal Designated Motorized Trails (50 & 64)	16
New Seasonal Designated Motorized Trails (open to all)	101
Subtotal Seasonal Designated Trail System	117
Total Seasonal Designated Motorized System	218
(Alt 1)	72
Difference (mileage)	146
Difference (percentage)	202%

Washakie – Seasonal Closures

Legend

Seasonal Closures

- No Seasonal Closure
- Revised Seasonal Dates
- New Seasonal Dates
- Existing Seasonal Dates

Alternative 4 Seasonal Closures

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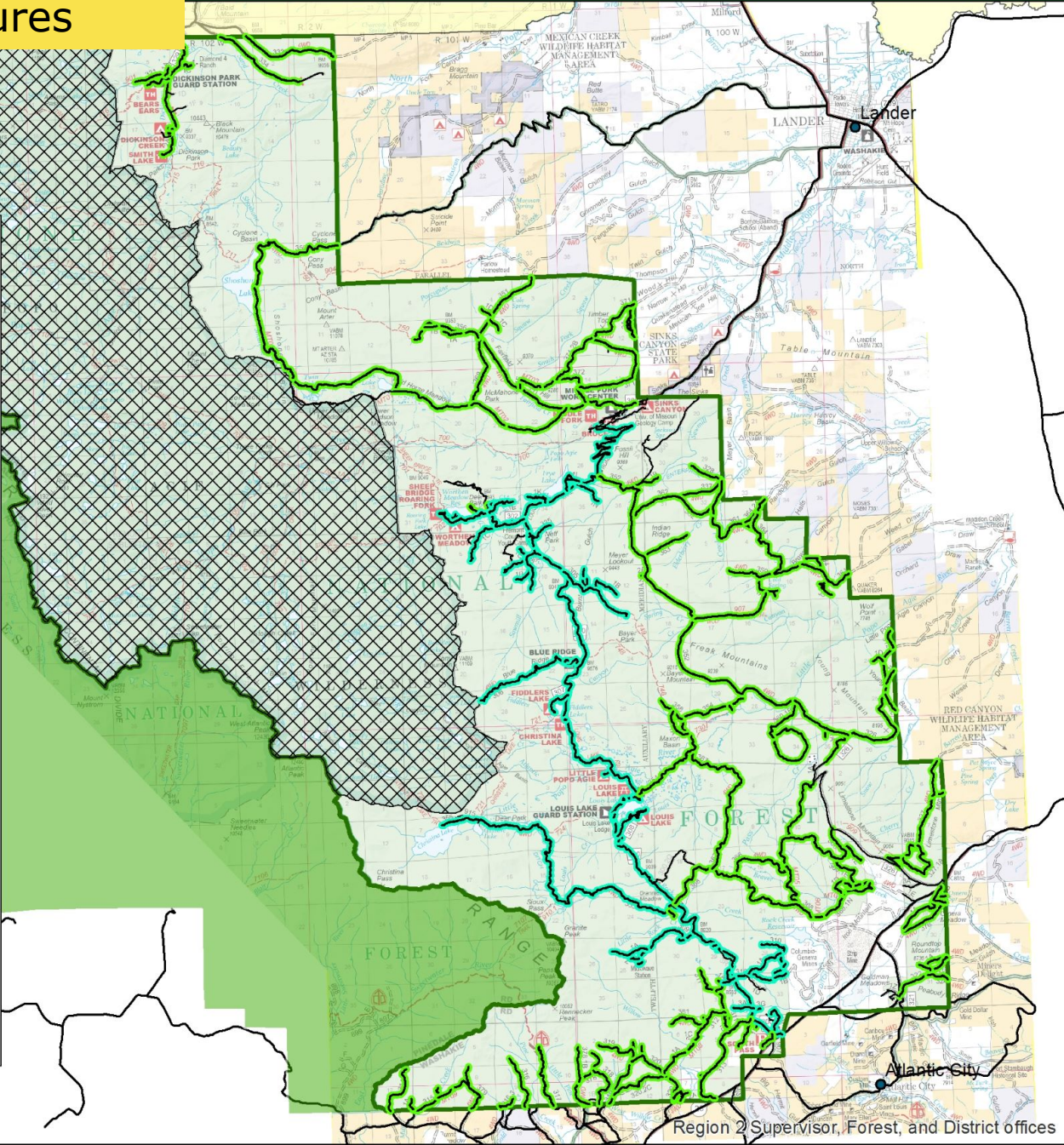
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Washakie Statistics – OSV Management

	Washakie RD
State Snowmobile Trails - Groomed	59
State Snowmobile Trails - Ungroomed	3
Subtotal Miles	62
New FS Snowmobile Trails - Ungroomed (miles)	0
Total FS Snowmobile Trail System	62
Area Open to Motorized Travel (acres)	112,105
New Area Closures to Motorized Travel (acres)	0
Percent of District Open to OSVs	36%
Total Available Area of Motorized Travel (acres)	112,105
<i>Alt 1 (acres)</i>	<i>112,764</i>
Season Dates	
Open	December 1
Close	May 31

Washakie – OSV Open Areas

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OSV Trails

Groomed Trail

Ungroomed Trail

OSV Use

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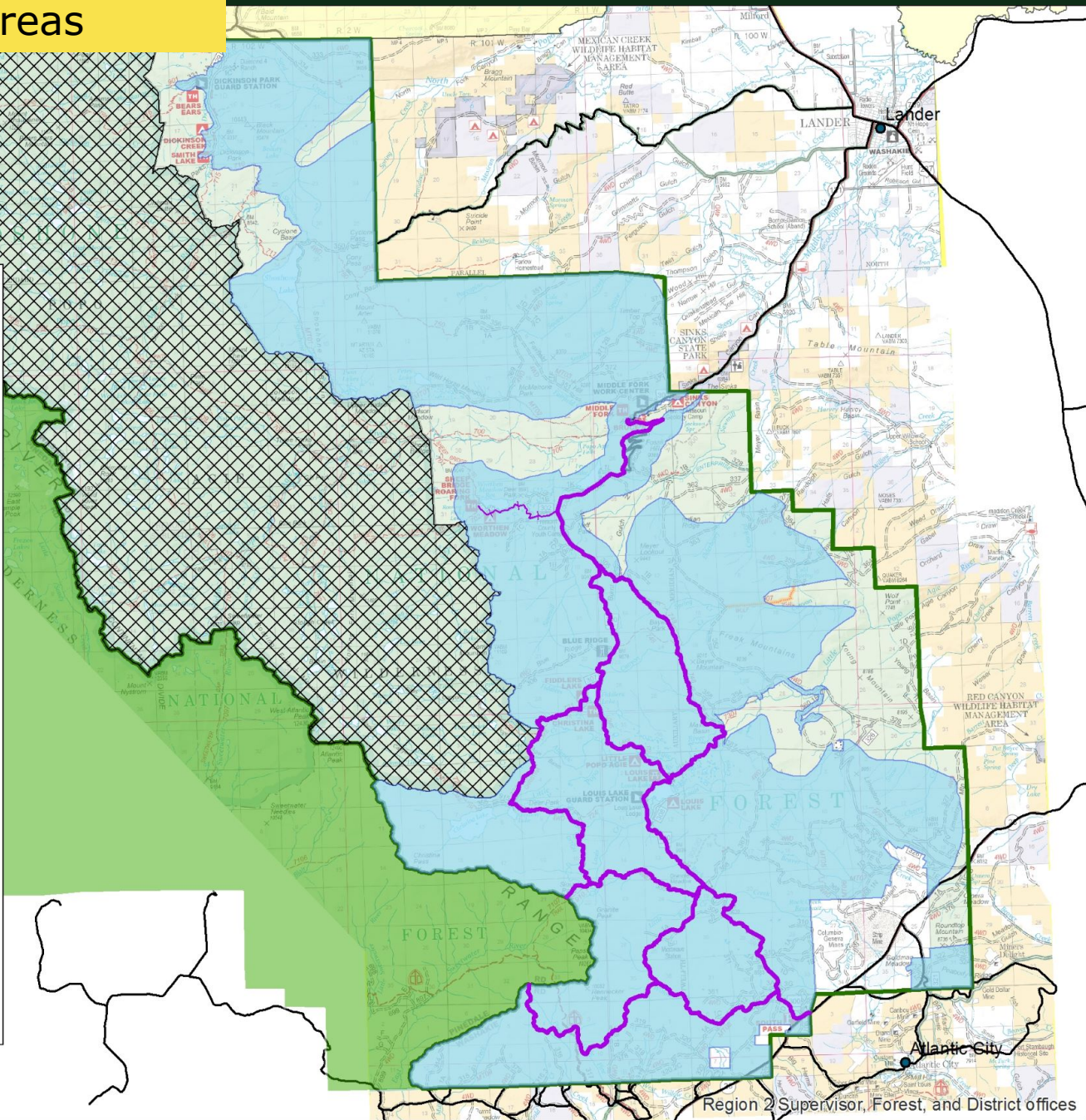
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Specific Proposals

Washakie – Pete's Lake

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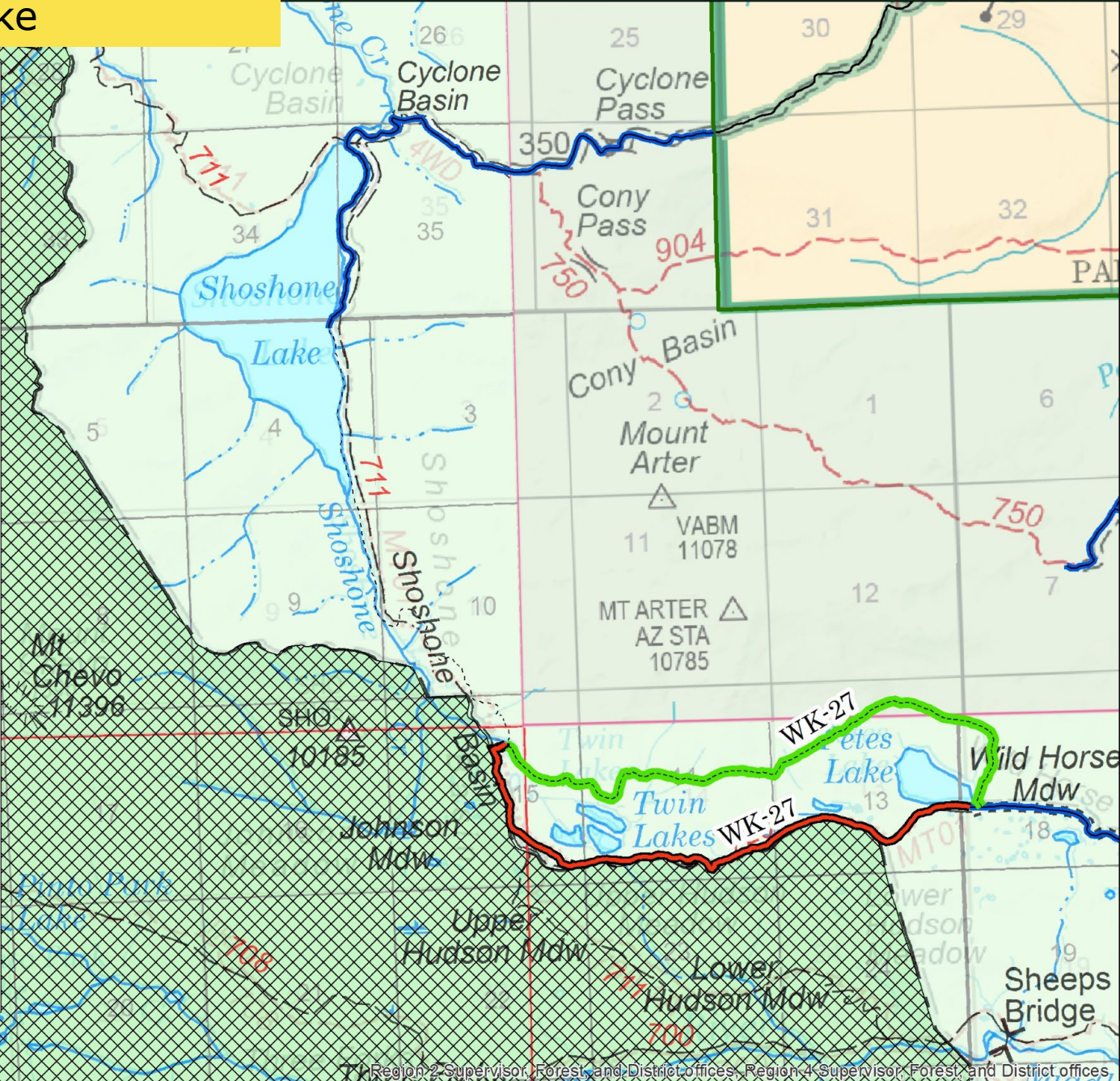
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Washakie – Wolf Point Proposal

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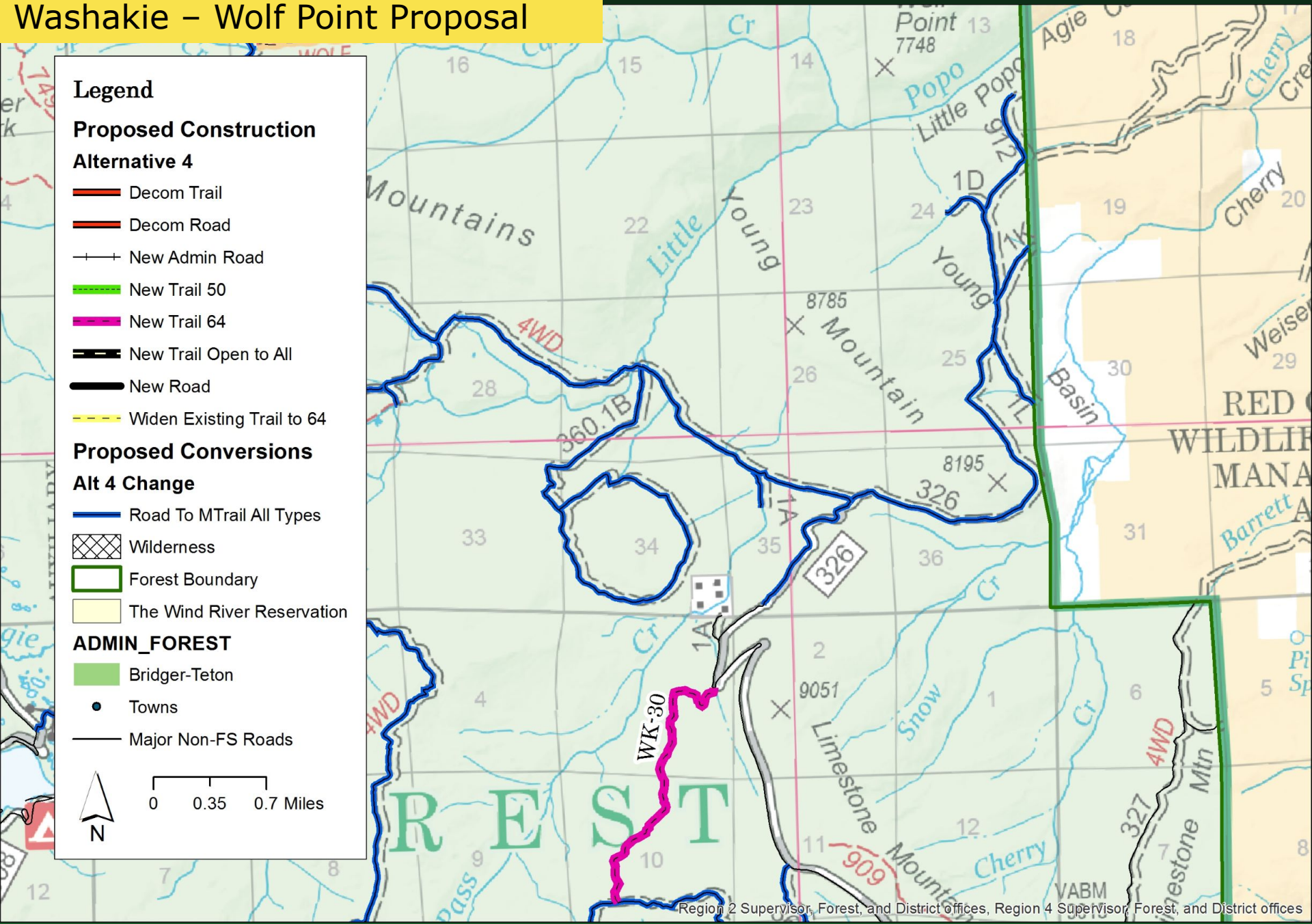
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Washakie – Wolf Point CWR (Elk)

This map illustrates the proposed construction and conversions for the Washakie – Wolf Point CWR (Elk). The map features a legend on the left side, a scale bar, and a north arrow. The legend is organized into several sections: SPECIES, Proposed Construction Alternative 4, Proposed Conversions Alt 4 Change, ADMIN_FOREST, and a scale bar. The map shows the CWR boundary in red, with various trails and roads marked in different colors and line styles. The map also includes a scale bar and a north arrow.

Legend

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Washakie – Wolf Point CWR (Moose)

Legend

SPECIES

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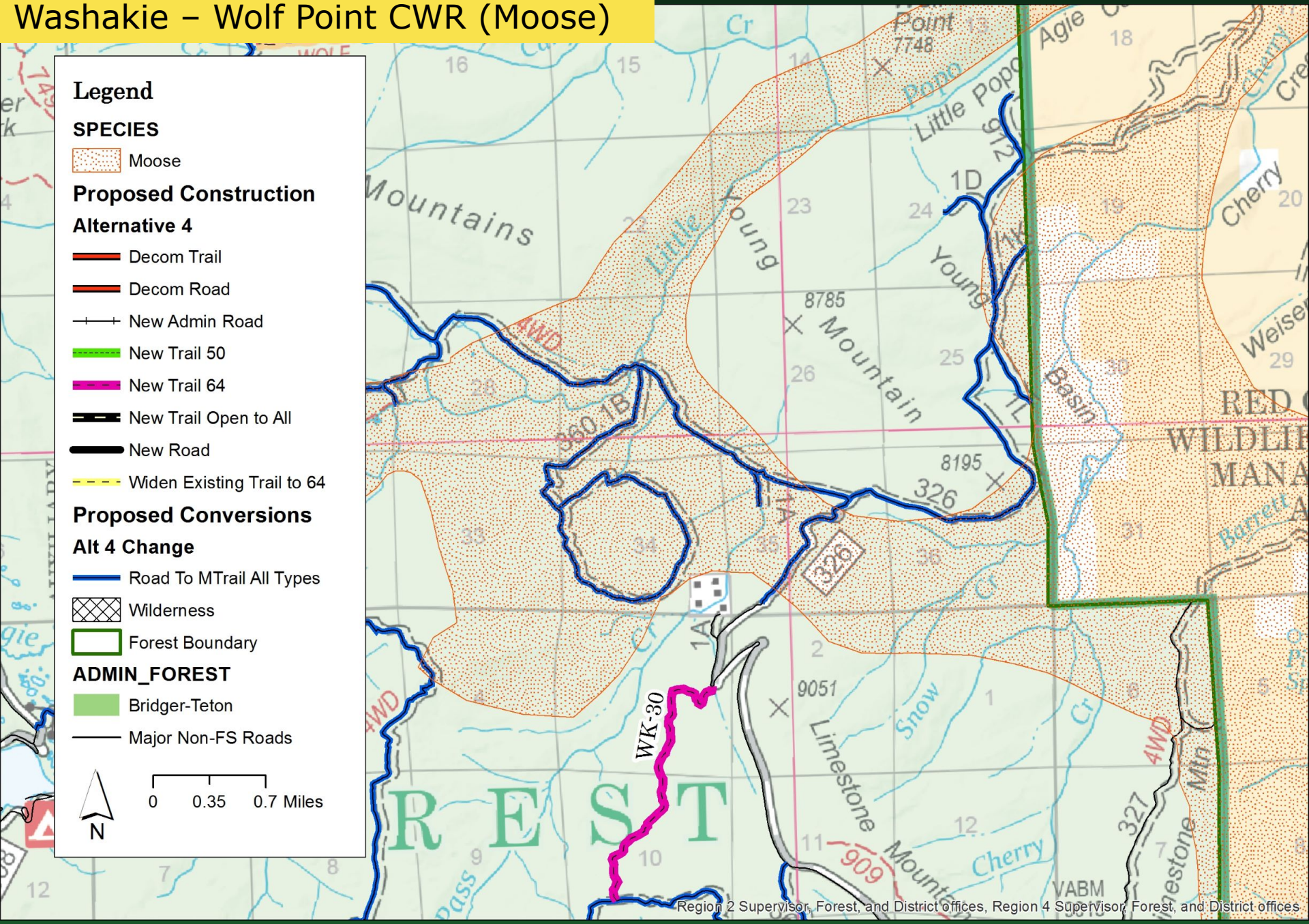
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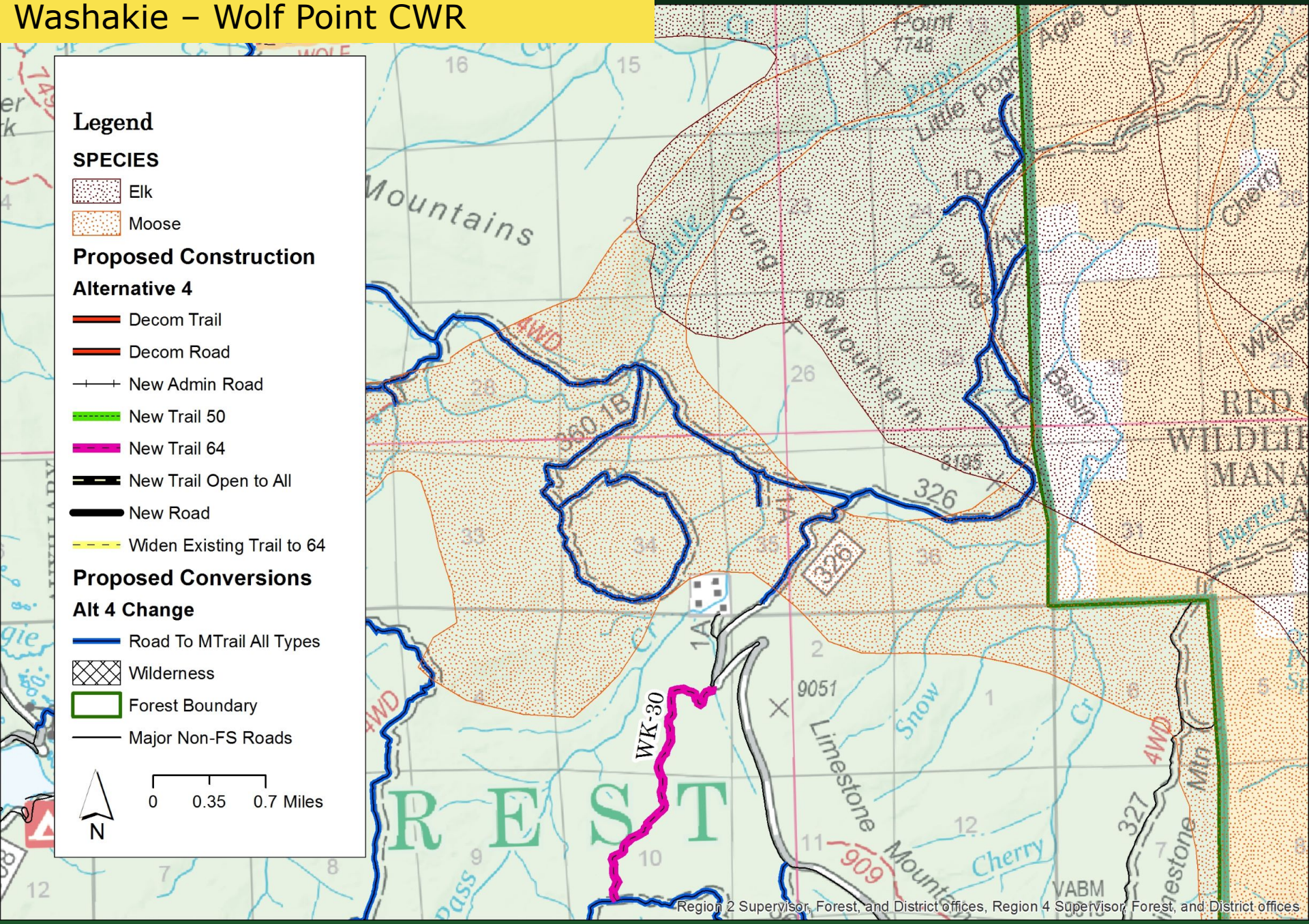
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Washakie – Wolf Point CWR & Seasonal

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Alt 4 Season

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- New Seasonal
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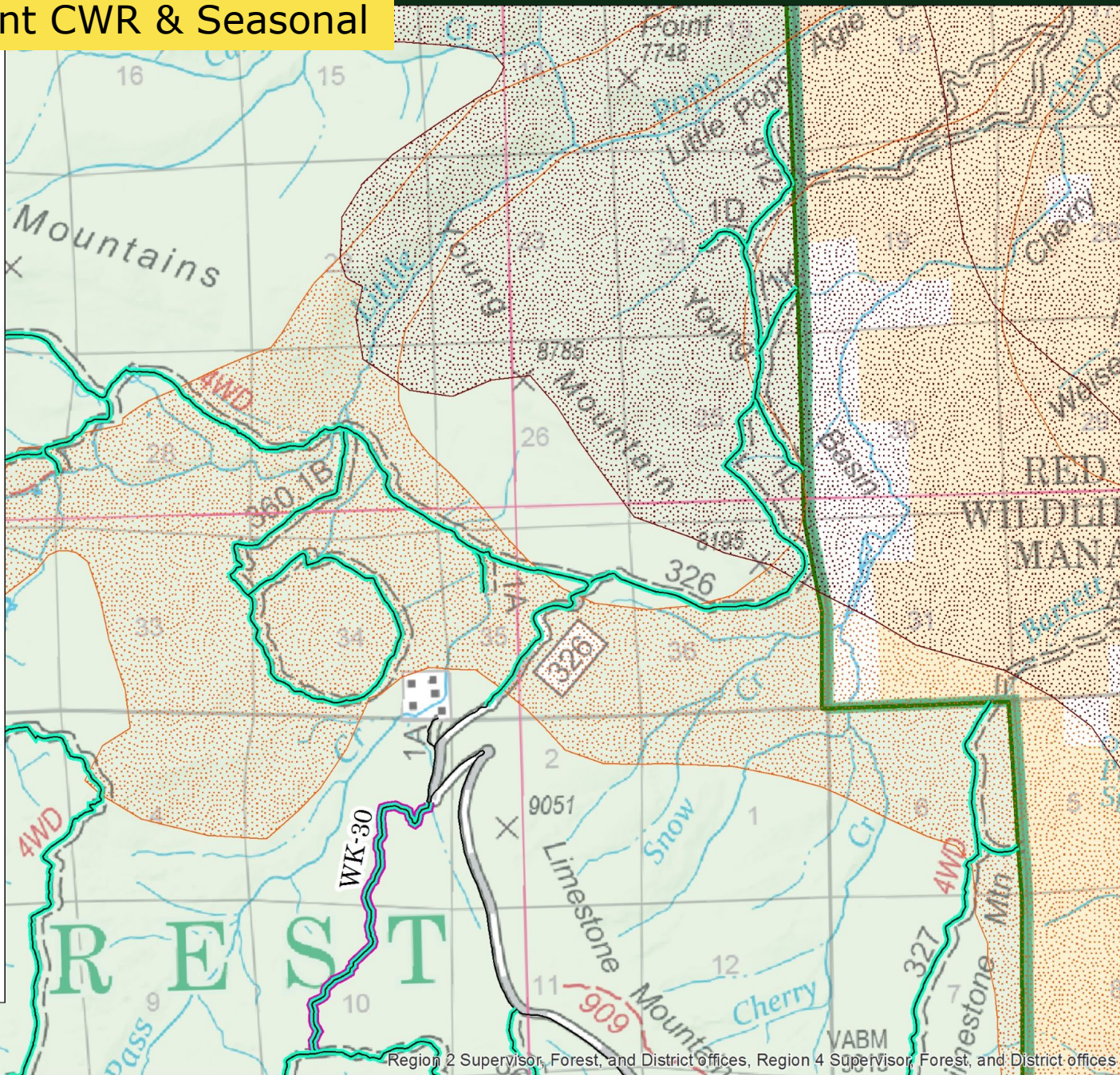
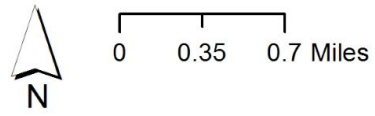
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Question & Answer



Thank you for joining us tonight

- Do you still have questions? Please contact one of the following Shoshone National Forest employees:
 - Mark Foster, Environmental Coordinator –
 - mark.foster@usda.gov or 307-250-7626
 - Kristie Salzmänn, Public Affairs Officer –
 - kristie.l.salzmänn@usda.gov or 307-250-0148
- Submit comments in writing:
 - send an email to 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

