Crossons-Longview Forest Restoration Project

South Platte Ranger District
Pike National Forest

Agenda

- ✦ Welcome - Agenda
- ✦ Presentation
- ✦ Questions & Answers
- ✦ Small Groups & Individual

Presentation

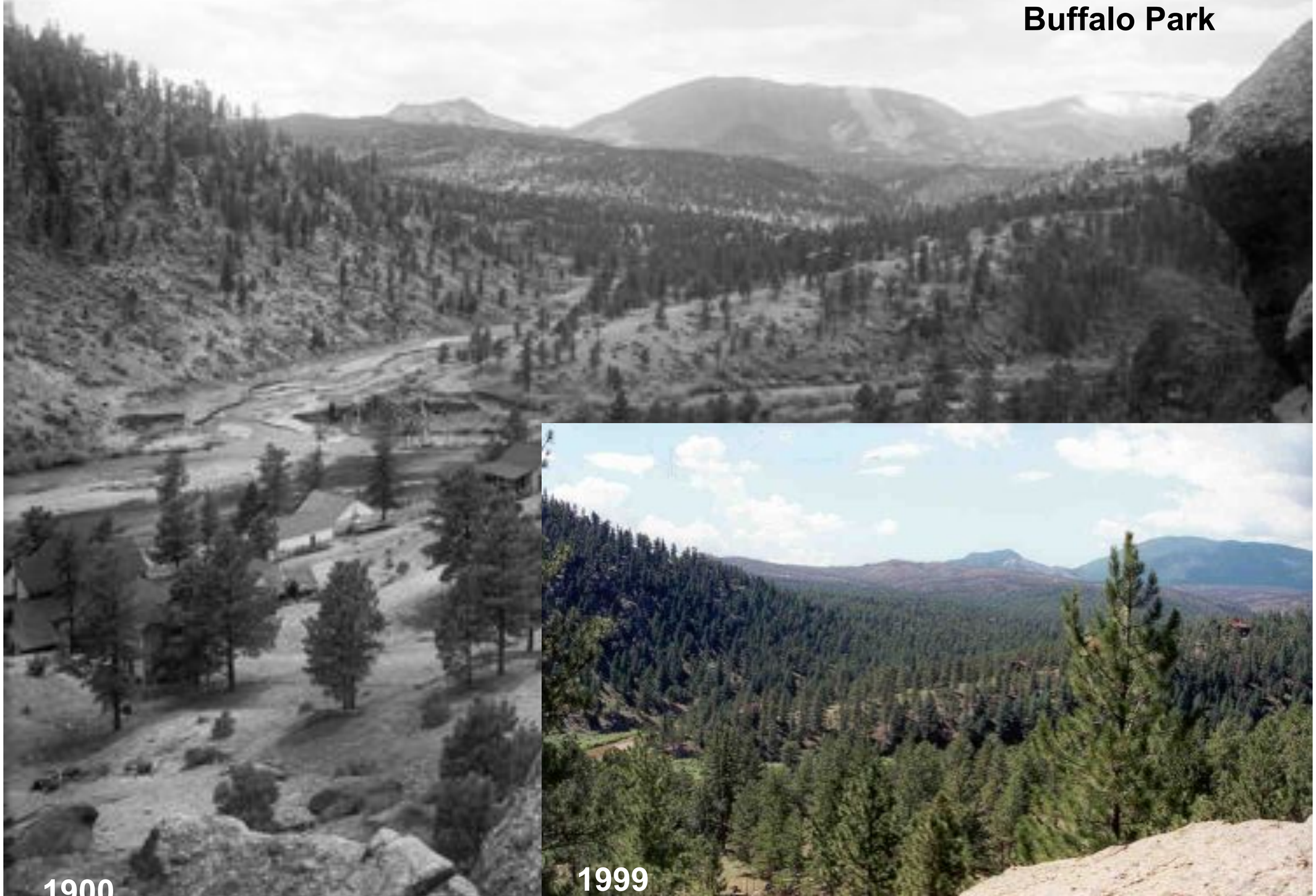
- ✦ Forest Restoration Proposal
- ✦ How to comment
- ✦ Process & schedule

Forest History

- Past management practices - logging, grazing, others
- Large stand replacing fires during the late 19th and early 20th centuries
- Aggressive fire suppression efforts

Need for Project

- Overly dense forest of uniform age and species
- Insect and disease outbreaks
- Forest is more even-aged, mature trees
- Increased burn severity, harder to control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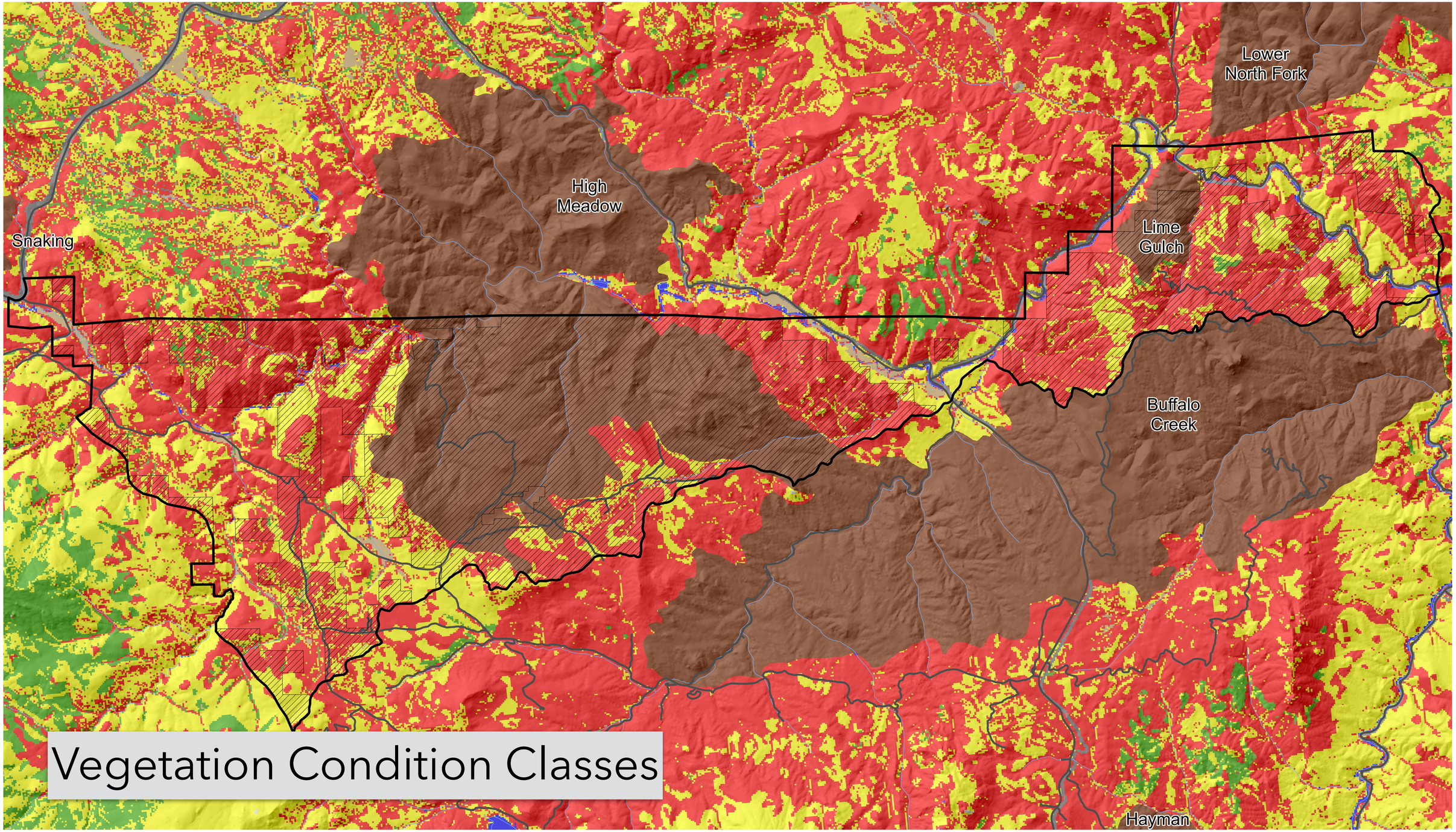
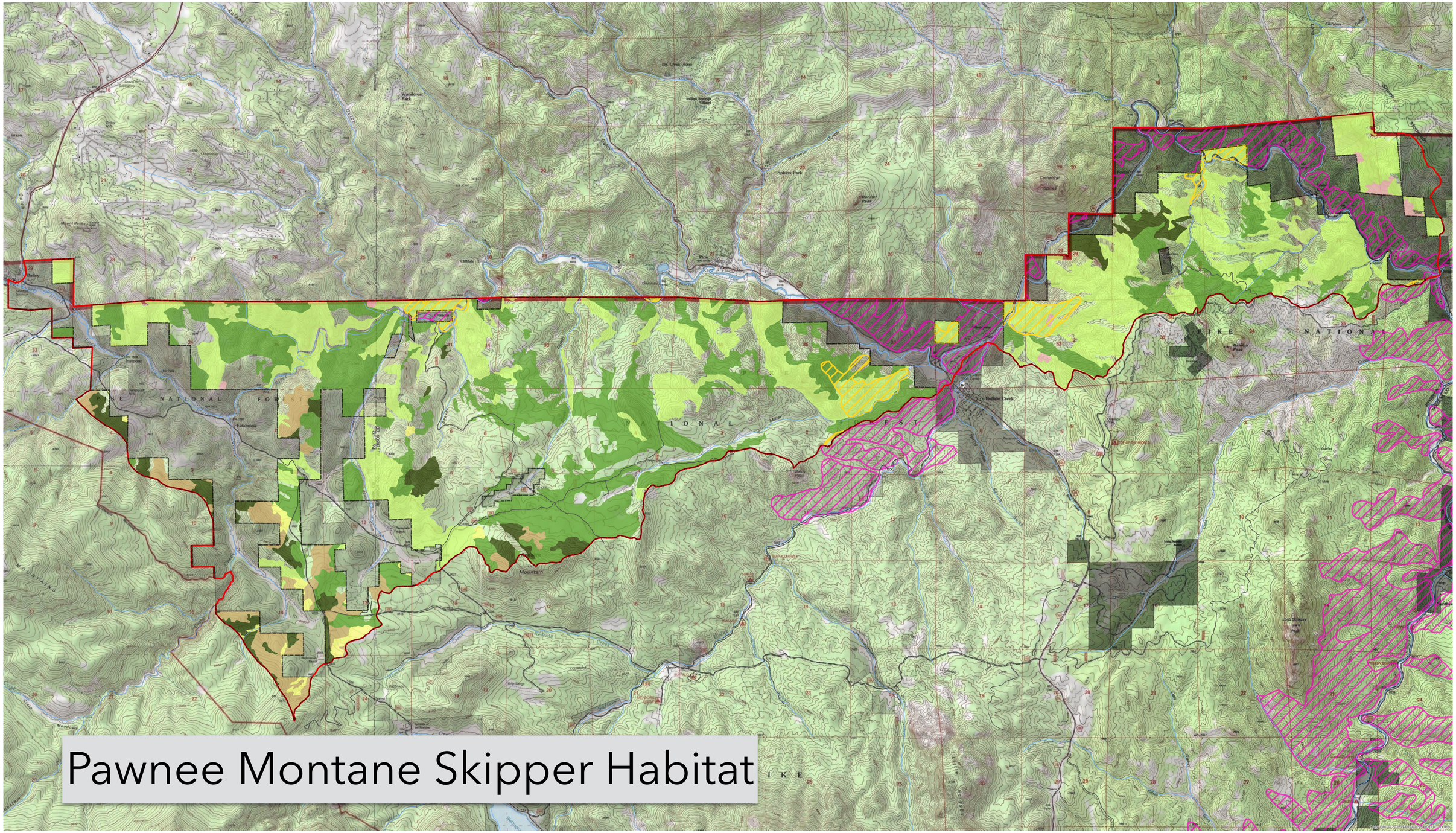


Vegetation Condition Classes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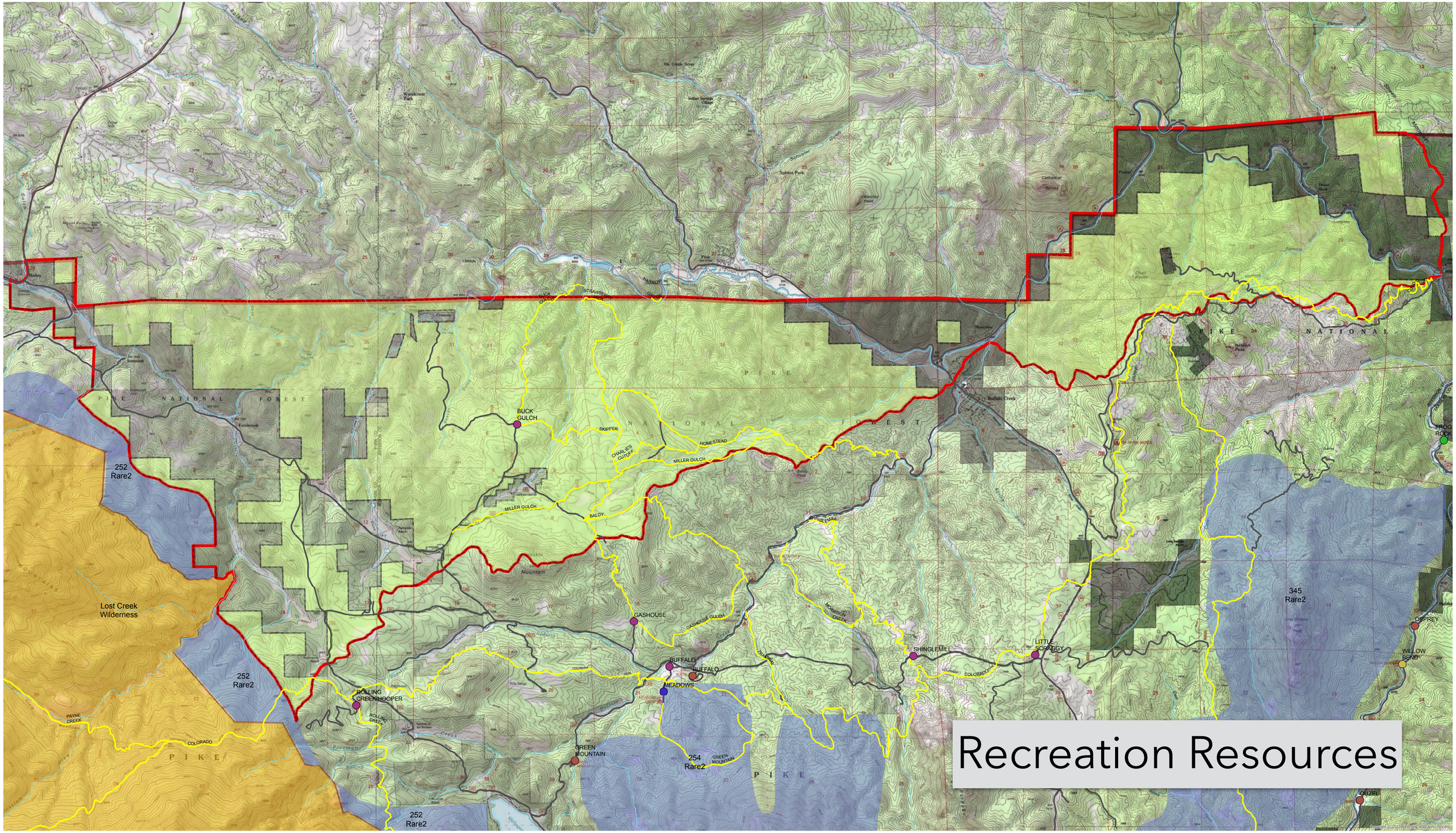
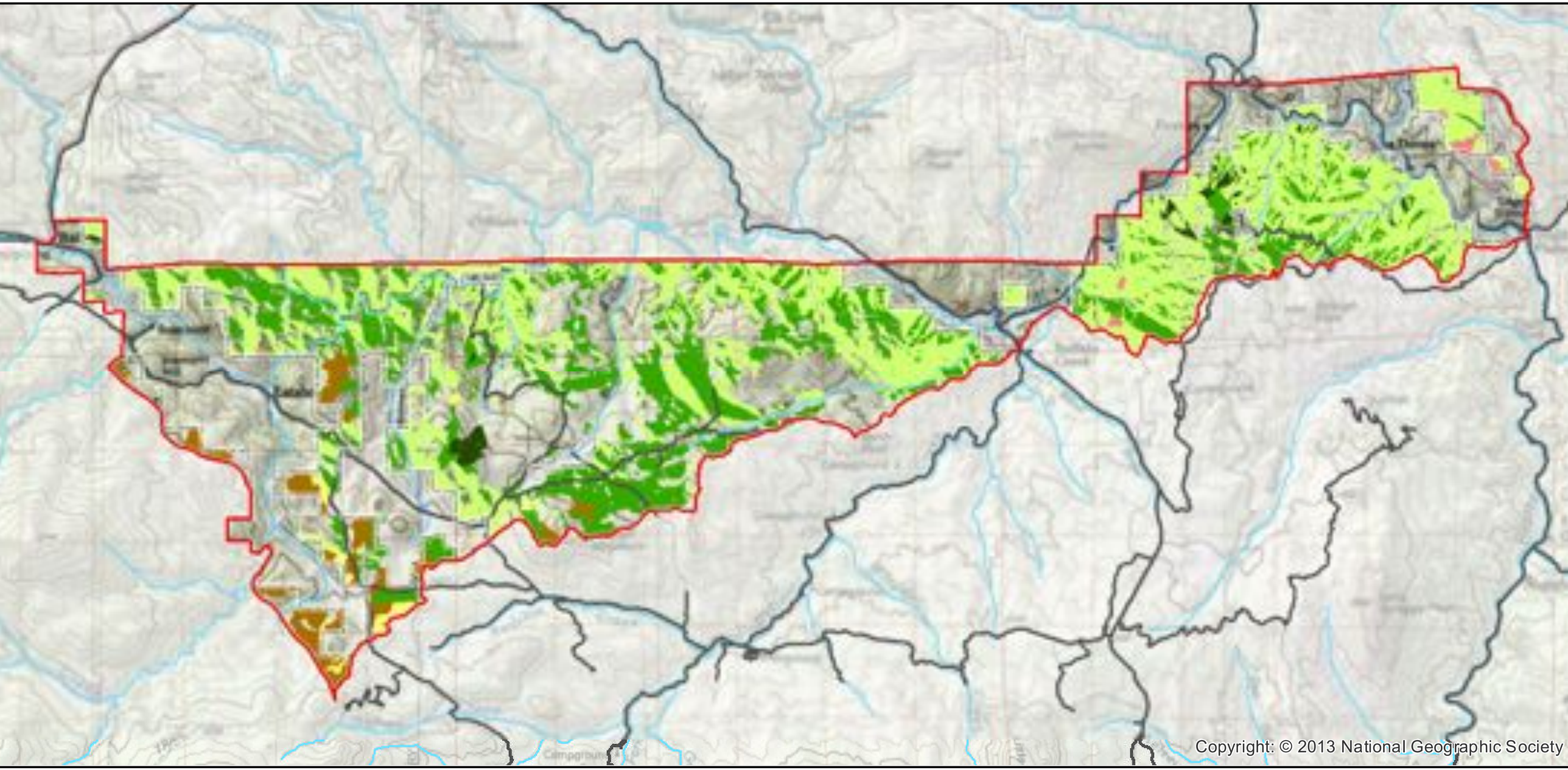
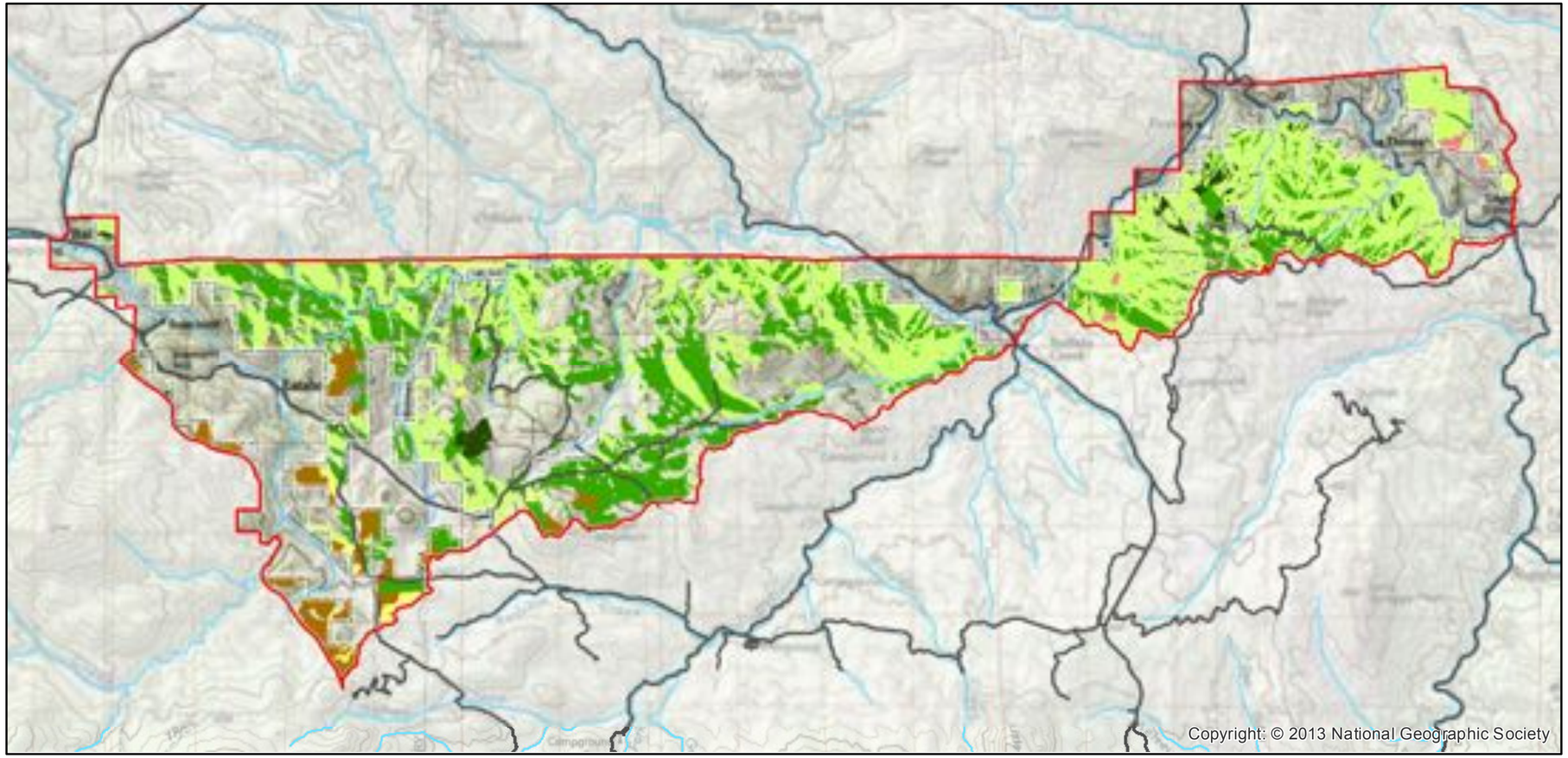

Recreation Resources
BUCK GULCH
SKIPPER
CHARLIE'S CUTOFF
HOMESTEAD
MILLER GULCH
BALDY
GASHOUSE
GASHOUSE GULCH
BUFFALO
MEADOWS
ROLLING CREEK
HOOPER
GREEN MOUNTAIN
SHINGLEMILL
LITTLE SCRAGGY
COLORADO
OSPREY
WILLOW BEND
OUZEL
252 Rare2
254 Rare2
345 Rare2
Lost Creek Wilderness
PIKE NATIONAL FOREST

Purpose of Project

- To improve forest health, vigor, and resilience to large-scale fire, insects and disease
- To reduce impacts on public water supplies
- To enhance wildlife habitat
- To increase recreational opportunities
- To reduce catastrophic, high-intensity wildfire



Crossons-Longview Forest Restoration Area



Crossons-Longview Forest Restoration Area

USDA Forest Service Boundary within the Restoration Area

Roads

Rivers and Streams

Mesic Ponderosa Pine Community

Xeric Ponderosa Pine Community

Mixed Conifer Community

Lodgepole Pine Community

Shrublands Community

Aspen Community

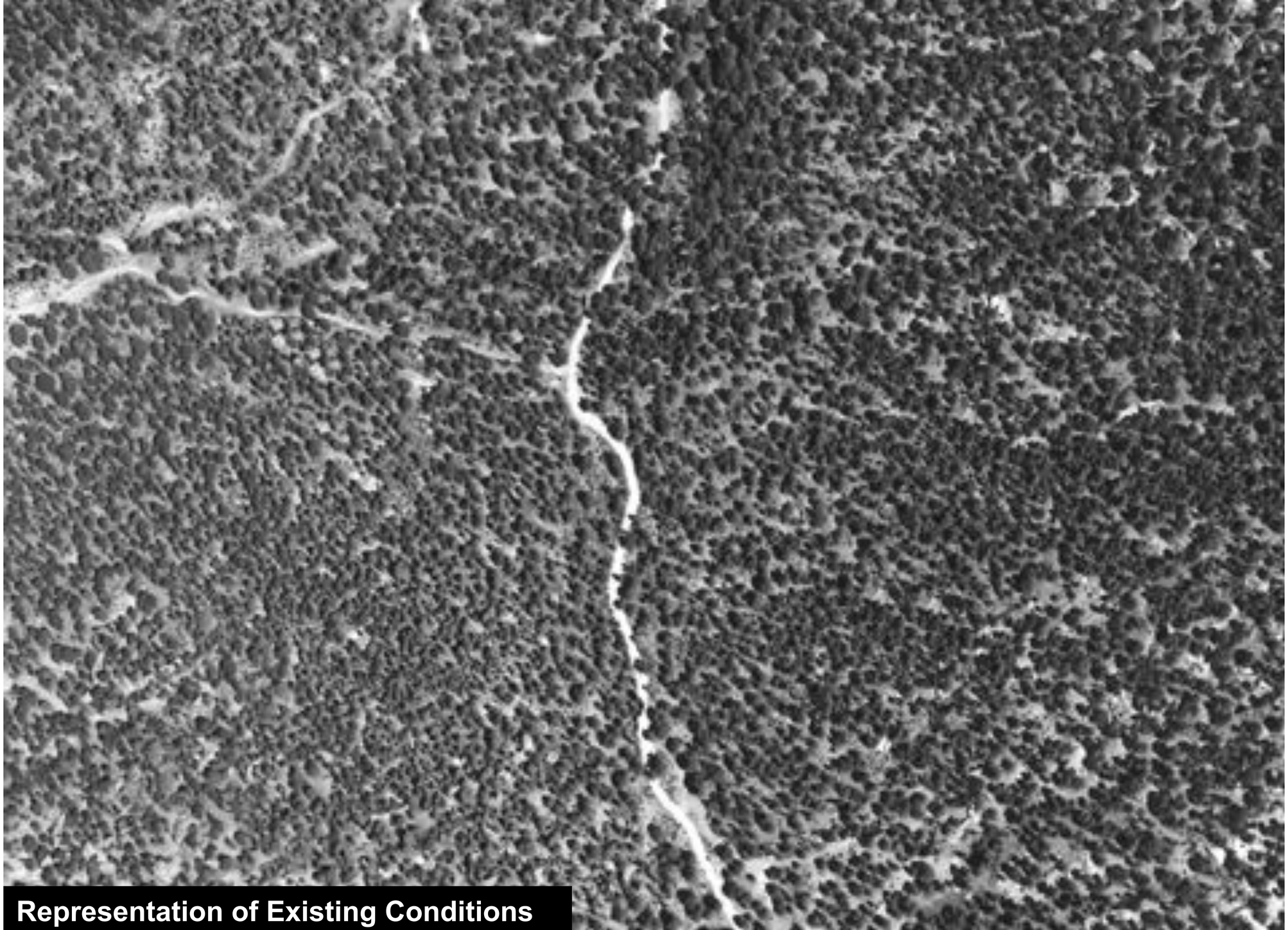
0 0.5 1 2 Miles

Sources: NGS (Topo Map), USFS, USGS
Coordinate System: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 13N

Proposed Actions

Roads

Vegetation Type	Area	Percentage
Mesic Ponderosa pine	3,900	33%
Xeric Ponderosa pine	6,000	51%
Mixed Conifer	700	6%
Lodgepole pine	600	5%
Shrubs	100	1%
Aspen	400	4%
Total	11,700	100%



Representation of Existing Conditions

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Resource Protection

- ✦ Adaptive management
- ✦ Mechanical slope limitations (>35%)
- ✦ No new permanent roads

Why are we here?

Public Involvement

- Inform public
- Gather public input

How to Comment

- Comment by letter, email, or phone call
- Fill out comment card
- Email comments to kheiny@fs.fed.us
- Call Kris Heiny at 303-275-5636
- www.fs.usda.gov/projects/psicc/landmanagement/projects

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719-553-1404

Projects

Find information on current and proposed projects for watershed restoration, habitat improvement, recreation sites, timber sales, roads, and more.

Four times a year, the forest publishes a Schedule Of Proposed Actions (SOPA).

Projects

- PSICC Oil and Gas Leasing EIS
- San Carlos - Greenhorn Blowdown, Spruce Beetle and Forest Management Project
- North Rampart Range Travel Management Plan
- South Rampart Range Travel Management Plan Final Memorandum (194 Kb pdf)
- EA for Range Allotment Management Planning on the McQuaid Allotment, South Park Ranger District
- DN-FONSI for the McQuaid RAMP

Forest Level Plans, Projects and References - Forest Monitoring

The forest plan is being revised. Learn more about the issues, management practices, monitoring, and public meetings.

- 1984 Land and Resource Management Plan
- Amendment 28 - South Platte Wild and Scenic River Study
- **Amendment 30 - MIS Amendment**
  - Decision Notice
  - Environmental Assessment
- Forest and Grassland Plan Revision

Fuels Treatment Projects

- **NEW!** Crossons-Longview Forest Restoration Project
- Hy-Brook Thinning Project Proposal
- Tennessee Creek Fuels Project
- Pikes Peak District - Catamount Project:
  Description (12 Kb pdf)
  Map A (795 Kb pdf)
  Map B (165 Kb pdf)
- Salida District - Spruce Creek
  Spruce Creek Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project, Decision Memo (151 Kb pdf)
- 5-Year Stewardship Plan, Pike National Forest
- Interagency Bark Beetle Cooperative

Quick Links

- National Fire Plan
- RSS Feed

Alerts & Warnings

- Order 14-01 Manufactured Target Requirement
- Order 14-2 Emergency Trail Closure: Closure of Trails in the Bear Creek Watershe
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Forest Service Seeking Comments On The Crossons-Lonview Proposed Forest Treatments

New Release (Word file)

Public Notice (Word file)

Project Map (PDF 3Mb)

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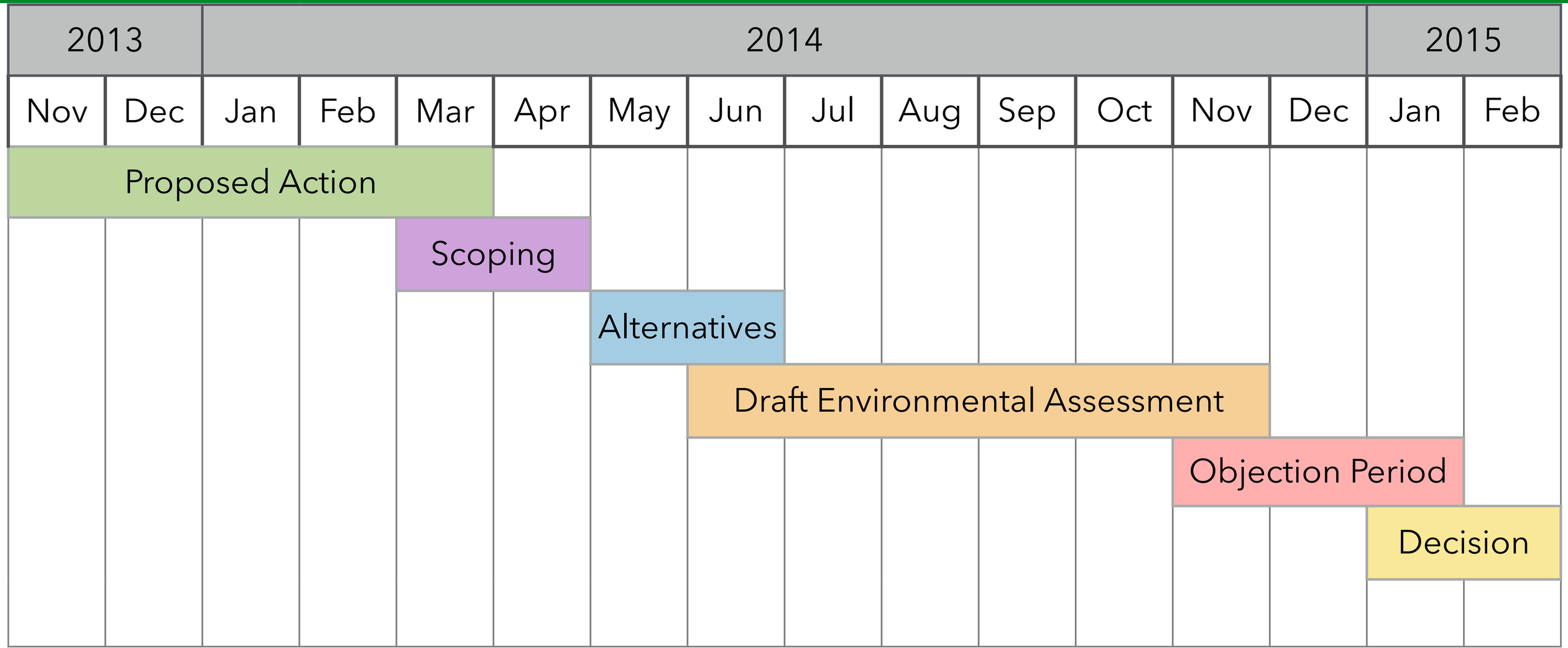
Scoping Comments

- Scoping comments are due April 21, 2014
- Comments help define issues, develop alternatives & modify the Proposed Action

Crossons-Longview Schedule



Questions & Answers