

APPENDIX C – DESIGN FEATURES AND MONITORING

Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact Idaho City Ranger District Motorized Wheeled Vehicle Travel Management Plan

The following design features and monitoring will be implemented with the Idaho City Ranger District Motorized Wheeled Vehicle Travel Management Plan.

Design Features

Motorized Vehicle Access to Dispersed Campsites (Exemption Areas)

DC-1: Alternative 2 and 3 would allow off-road motorized vehicle travel for up to 300 feet from an open NFS road, as designated on the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM), to access dispersed campsites except on the road segments outlined in the table below.

Summary of Road Segments that would not allow off-road motorized vehicle travel to access dispersed campsites.

Unit Area	Road Segment	Rationale	Map Frame*
2	Exemption will not be allowed on NFS road 386 from district boundary to junction with NFS road 386J.	Wetland area protection	B
3	Exemption will not be allowed on NFS road 380 between NFS roads 397 and 380C.	Meadow protection	C
3	Pilot Peak Lookout area.	Sensitive plants	C
4	Exemption will not be allowed west of NFS road 362 from its intersection with State Highway 21 to Beaver Creek Trailhead.	Meadow protection	C, G
6	Exemption will not be allowed on NFS road 316 from NFS road 316B to Sunset Mountain Lookout.	Sensitive plants	D
6	Exemption will not be allowed on NFS road 327 from confluence of North Fork Rabbit Creek and Rabbit Creek to junction of NFS roads 327 and 310.	Riparian habitat protection	E
7	Exemption will not be allowed on NFS road 203L from NFS road 203 to Thorn Butte Lookout.	Sensitive plants	E
8	Exemption will not be allowed on segment of NFS road 314 from NFS roads 314C to NFS roads 314D. Exemption will not be allowed on segment of NFS 314 from NFS road 314D to NFS road 314D1.	Meadow protection in Bear Run drainage.	D, F
9	Exemption will only be applied on north side of NFS road 326 from NFS road 310 along Meadow Creek to the end of the NFS road 326.	Meadow and riparian habitat protection.	E

*Unit area maps are located in Appendix B of this DN/FONSI.

DC-2: Alternative 2 and 3 would allow off-trail motorized vehicle travel for up to 100 feet from motorized NFS trail, as designated on the Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM), to access dispersed campsites except on trail segments outlined in the table below.

Summary of Trail Segments that would not allow off-trail motorized vehicle travel to access dispersed campsites.

Unit Area	Trail	Rationale	Map Frame*
3	NFS Trail #163003	Sensitive Plants	C, D
3	Trail Segment #3-003	Sensitive Plants	C, D
6	NFS Trail #166003	Sensitive Plants	D, E
6	NFS Trail #167003	Sensitive Plants	D, E

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Heritage Resources

HR-1: Motorized wheeled vehicles will not be authorized on intact segments of Franer Canal on NFS lands.

HR-2: A qualified archeologist will conduct new surveys for NFS trails, currently designated and proposed for designation, when these routes are included in projects where the Forest Archeologist has determined that fieldwork is necessary for the project. The Boise NF will, in the course of fieldwork for new projects on the Idaho City Ranger District, survey NFS trails as part of the new project’s cultural resource inventory. These surveys will include the 100-foot exemption areas allowing off-trail motorized vehicle travel across dispersed campsites. The results of the survey will be reported to SHPO. The Boise NF, in consultation with SHPO, will take the appropriate management action, consistent with 36 CFR 800.406, if potential adverse or adverse effects to historic properties are identified.

Monitoring

Heritage Resources

HR-3: A qualified archeologist will monitor historic properties identified in the Area of Potential Effect (APE) for this project. These sites will be monitored annually for the onset of potential adverse effects from motorized vehicle use. This schedule is consistent with the monitoring schedule for protection of historic properties during project implementation identified in the Boise NF Land and Resource Management Plan. The results of these monitors will be reported to SHPO. The Boise NF, in consultation with SHPO, will take the appropriate management action, consistent with 36 CFR 800.406, if potential adverse or adverse effects to historic properties are identified. After three years, the Boise NF and SHPO may agree to revise the monitoring schedule.