Cooke City Travel Planning Area

A. Travel Area Goals, Objectives, Standards and Guidelines

GOAL 1: Summer Recreation Use. Provide opportunities for summer recreation use with an emphasis on regulated motorized/mountain bike use to the north of Highway 212.

OBJ. 1-1: Achieve the summer recreation opportunities identified in GOAL 1 through the route-by-route management decisions made through this Travel Plan. Any future proposals to change the uses specified should be done in consideration of the targeted recreation setting to be provided [see the “Recreation Opportunity Spectrum” (ROS) map for summer uses (October, 2006)] which is hereby incorporated by reference.

GOAL 2: Winter Recreation Use. Provide opportunities for winter recreation use emphasizing snowmobile use north of Highway 212 and cross-country skiing south of Highway 212.

OBJ. 2-1: Achieve the winter recreation opportunities identified in GOAL 2 through the marked and groomed route management decisions made through this Travel Plan along with decisions made on the area available to snowmobiles. Any future proposals to change the uses specified should be done in consideration of the targeted recreation setting to be provided [see the “Recreation Opportunity Spectrum” (ROS) map for winter uses (October, 2006)] which is hereby incorporated by reference.

GOAL 3: Water Quality/Fisheries. Provide habitat for Yellowstone cutthroat trout in Soda Butte Creek and Goose Creek, and provide for beneficial uses in all other stream courses.

OBJ. 3-1: Effectively close and stabilize all non-designated motorized routes to eliminate erosion and sedimentation.

OBJ. 3-2: Implement a maintenance program on the Goose Lake Road, Sheep Mountain Road and Kersey Lake Road to eliminate erosion and sedimentation.

B. Alternative Route-By-Route Management

See attached table.
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