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To: Interested Parties

Please find the enclosed errata sheet for the 1997 Revision of the Routt National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan. The new wording is effective May 5, 1999.

Sincerely,

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Errata (May 5, 1999)

Background:

Three of the 17 standards in the Watershed Conservation Practices (WCP) Handbook of USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Region were revised in March 1999. These changes to the original wording are not substantive. They merely clarify the original intent of the standards as understood by line officers, staff officers, and resource professionals throughout the Region and as explained in the original design criteria for each standard and in other parts of the WCP. The changes to these three standards in the WCP and Forest Plan are as follows:

Water and Aquatic Standard #4: In the water influence zone next to perennial and intermittent streams, lakes, and wetlands, allow only those land treatments that maintain or improve long-term stream health.

Should Read:

Water and Aquatic Standard #4: In the water influence zone next to perennial and intermittent streams, lakes, and wetlands, allow only those actions that maintain or improve long-term stream health and riparian ecosystem condition. [This standard corresponds to standard # 3 in the WCP Handbook.]

Water and Aquatic Standard #5: Design and construct all stream crossings and other instream structures to pass normal flows, withstand expected flood flows, and allow free movement of resident aquatic life.

Should Read:

Water and Aquatic Standard #5: Design and construct all stream crossings and other instream structures to provide for passage of flow and sediment, withstand expected flood flows, and allow free movement of resident aquatic life. [This standard corresponds to standard # 4 in the WCP Handbook.]

Water and Aquatic Standard #7: Do not degrade ground cover, soil structure, water budgets, or flow patterns in wetlands.

Should Read:

Water and Aquatic Standard #7: Maintain long-term ground cover, soil structure, water budgets, and flow patterns in wetlands to sustain their ecological function, per 404 regulations. [This standard corresponds to standard # 6 in the WCP Handbook.]

This errata sheet clarifies the wording of these three Standards. The new wording is effective May 5, 1999.

