

Wasatch-Cache Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan)

AMENDMENT NO. 9

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POSTING NOTICE:

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EXPLANATION:

The analysis to substantiate these changes in subgoal 12d is found in the FEIS for Ruby Pipeline Project, January 2010.

This amendment is a non-significant amendment to the Wasatch-Cache Forest Plan. This amendment would allow a one-time waiver from the subgoal 12d direction that would allow placement of the pipeline outside of a designated corridor for approximately 1.2 miles. The Ruby pipeline alignment would not become a designated Forest Plan corridor. Any future pipeline proposed in the right of way would necessitate further analysis prior to any decision being made.

Forestwide Subgoal - Transportation and Utility Corridors

- 12d Provide for energy needs and limit utility corridor impacts by utilizing **currently designated utility corridors** to the extent practical for power transmission lines of 66kV or greater and oil and gas pipelines 10” or greater.¹

Forestwide Goal 13-Designated Wilderness

Maintain wilderness ecosystems and character, primarily influenced by the forces of nature, to provide opportunities for public use, enjoyment, and understanding of wilderness, and to preserve a high quality wilderness resource for present and future generations. Manage wilderness to sustain wild ecosystems for values other than those directly related to human uses.

Forestwide Subgoal - Wilderness

- 13a. Manage Wildernesses **recognizing differences** in population proximity and consequent role in providing wilderness experiences for more people.

¹ Allow a one-time-waiver for placement of 1.2 miles of Ruby Pipeline in the Cache-Box Elder Management Area outside a designated corridor.