

## Study Group Theme Comments for Missionary And Lakes: Columbine Meeting 2/22/'05

### Theme Area #: 172

<b>Landscape</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Missionary	theme 3 would better accommodate existing uses
Missionary	3 does not seem very limited even though you say it's more natural
Missionary	Consider changing the area near the boundary of the Weminuche Wilderness from a Theme 3 to a Theme 1.
Missionary	Recommend designating this area as a wilderness area due to presence of old-growth spruce/fir
Missionary	should be a 1 - difficult access, no roads, locked by private property
Missionary	a 1 designation here would preclude active management for forest treatment
Missionary	agree with 3 designation because of area's remoteness

### Theme Area #: 271

<b>Landscape</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Lakes	Middle Mountain area. Concern over preserving motorized access. Need enforcement to stay on designated routes to reduce erosion. Snow mobiles don't cause erosion.

Lakes Agree w/ change to Middle Mountain area because of geologic instability.

**Theme Area #:** 293

**Landscape**

**Comment**

Lakes East side of Vallecito should be a 3 or a 5, not a 1, desire for motorized access

**Theme Area #:** 509

**Landscape**

**Comment**

Missionary Middle Mountain: want single track motorized loop trail opportunity.

**Theme Area #:** 511

**Landscape**

**Comment**

Missionary drop this area to a 1

Missionary No, there are no markets for trees so that's really not a problem

Missionary municipal watershed: monitor water quality

Missionary close to population center

Missionary	This area has been well managed
Missionary	Concern about motorized off-road travel in upper Missionary Ridge area.
Missionary	Recommend designating this area as a wilderness area due to presence of old-growth spruce/fir
Missionary	ATV folks want to go somewhere. Old logging roads are good places for them, maybe some of the currently closed roads should be opened here to provide additional opportunities.
Missionary	Upper Missionary Ridge – change 5 to 3.
Missionary	Concentrate recreation on the edges of the forest or near roads or other infrastructure to reduce adverse effects of dispersed recreation
Missionary	Manage for water quality 1st and enhance water quality
Missionary	There are opportunities for restoration here.

**Theme Area #: 515**

**Landscape**

**Comment**

Lakes	There really isn't heavy grazing up there -- don't think it's a concern
Lakes	Maintain access through private lands to forest.

Lakes Support for keeping Lemon Reservoir a 4.

Lakes Concentration of recreational use in the Lemon Lake area is a good idea

**Theme Area #:** 529

**Landscape**

**Comment**

Lakes General agreement from table that 4 is the proper designation

Lakes Change from 4 to 3 designation is a good idea due to concerns for excessive recreational use and cattle on burned areas

Lakes Theme 7 around Vallecito.

**Theme Area #:** 535

**Landscape**

**Comment**

Lakes Are we increasing ATV use by providing easy access?

Lakes ATVs are creating new routes and causing resource damage, especially hunters

Lakes This is a high use area. If we limit ATV use, are we inadvertently channeling it somewhere else?

Lakes Need forest service enforcement, especially in the fall

Lakes	watersheds are used by ATV s and cattle grazers which could erode
Lakes	Keep the Theme proposed.
Lakes	Designate this area as Theme 1 to preserve the existing state.
Lakes	area is remote, but busy, should stay as a theme 5
Lakes	If motorized use is causing damage, it should be prohibited in the area it causes damage

**Theme Area #: 536**

<b>Landscape</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Lakes	Near tuckerville, there is much evidence of ATV damage and new route creation.
Lakes	We need enforcement near wilderness boundaries
Lakes	Need buffers to the wilderness
Lakes	Old roads are in place, it makes sense as a 5
Lakes	Wilderness is encroaching on other areas as is

Lakes

The 5s are up against the wilderness boundary, wilderness should be buffered by less intensive use