

Study Group Theme Comments for Wolf Creek and Pagosa 5-26

Theme Area #: A

Draft Theme Designation: 1

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Support changing the steep lands on periphery of wilderness areas to a Theme 1.

Support for
Existing
Designation

Theme Area #: B

Draft Theme Designation: 4

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Support for Theme 4 corridor, but moved south boundary north above the private track. Boundary adjustment really doesn't affect any public land management because it's private land on both sides of 160.

Support for
Existing
Designation

Theme Area #: C

Draft Theme Designation: 3

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Support for Theme 3 designation.

Support for
Existing
Designation

fine as a 3 good – this is a good representation of current uses

Support for
Existing
Designation

Theme Area #: C1

Draft Theme Designation: 3

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The East Fork road corridor could be a Theme 4 due to recreation use and campground, with A Theme 2 around the plant.

Basis for Alternative

Drabasmittii, a rare plant found only here on the western slope, is located here. The plant could be a good reason to support Theme 3 (natural landscape) or could make a good theme 2 candidate to specially manage this small area to protect the plant.

Basis for Alternative

want to see more management in here – needs to be a well managed 4 instead of a free for all 4

Basis for Alternative

Good idea to make a Theme 4 corridor here to accommodate campers.

Basis for Alternative

Leave E. Fork road corridor a Theme 3; don't want to accommodate more recreation use and amenities (i.e., Theme 4). Leave development at campground and don't improve the road.

Support for Existing Designation

Bad idea to make the Theme 4 corridor because it will invite too many users.

Support for Existing Designation

Theme Area #: D

Draft Theme Designation: 5

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Table supported Theme 5 designation in this area.

Support for Existing Designation

Theme Area #: D1

Draft Theme Designation: 7

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Suggest moving the boundary a little further south (taking in some of Theme 7) to keep the tracks with conservation easements together (i.e., all in the Theme 5 polygon).

Basis for Alternative

Theme Area #: F

Draft Theme Designation: 8

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What kind of infrastructures and supplies are going to be needed to keep this an 8

Keep it as a Theme 8 in case of future demands for ski expansion

Basis for
Alternative

Maybe a Theme 4—would rather see more backcountry ski opportunities in the area.
Also would hate to see both the Village proposal and this area developed.

Basis for
Alternative

If a Theme 8 need to retain a wildlife corridor for movement between the Weminuche and
S. San Juan wilderness.

Desired Future
Condition

Like Theme 8

Support for
Existing
Designation

Theme 8 is okay as expansion of the existing ski area is preferred over development of a
new ski area

Support for
Existing
Designation

Would like to see more regulation of snowmobiles in this area.

Travel
Management

Enforce penalties of motorized violation into the wilderness.

Travel
Management

Theme Area #: G

Draft Theme Designation: 1

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making it a 1 increases the fire hazard the additional mititagtion work in a 3 keeps a buffer zone

Basis for Alternative

keep it a 3 this is more flexible for management but the area can still stay wild

Basis for Alternative

leave this as a 3 its good grazing (sheep) land to the south is ok to be a 1

Basis for Alternative

make it a 3 so new fencing and improvements can be made for the existing grazing permit holders

Basis for Alternative

Like Theme 1...want to keep the area natural and valleys undeveloped.

Support for Existing Designation

Like Theme 1 to discourage permanent development in this area like a ski area.

Support for Existing Designation

The Theme 1 is best for this area to prevent further negative impacts that would come from a ski area development in this area.

Support for Existing Designation

keep at 1 to slow down wolf creek development and expansion

Support for Existing Designation

keep this natural and a 1. But there is good grazing here.

Support for Existing Designation

make it a 1 to preserve and protect what we have left

Support for Existing Designation

Theme Area #: H

Draft Theme Designation: 7

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If private property uses change to more commercial, then the public land management actions will have to change too.

like it to be a 3

Basis for
Alternative

Theme 5 could also included wildfire mitigation and may be more appropriate for the area.

Basis for
Alternative

3 to keep it preserved – want to keep it open to recreation not traded into private property and fenced off.

Basis for
Alternative

make it a 5 so we can actively manage this area – it needs a lot of management.

Basis for
Alternative

Support for Theme 7 and want to see restoration projects continued (times 2)

Support for
Existing
Designation

Theme 7 is good because it allows for wildfire mitigation.

Support for
Existing
Designation

7 fine as long as it doesn't encourage land trades to grow existing private property areas

Support for
Existing
Designation

Travel management conflicts (especially motorized in non-motorized area) is a big issue in this area. Would like to see more and better travel information for the public and would like to see more support and resources put towards enforcing the travel rul

Travel
Management