## Study Group Theme Comments for Upper Dolores and Mesas: Dolores Meeting 2/17/’05

### Theme Area #: 10

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<tr>
<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Maintain proposed Theme 1 boundary because roads are just outside of the proposed boundary.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Agree with adjustment of #5 above (see 5.5)</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Like 5, in relationship to timber mgmt.</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Make Taylor mesa all a 5</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Designate Priest Gulch as a 3</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Keep upper Stoner a “5” for timber harvest</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Keep it a “5” so as not to reduce grazing</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mesas</td>
<td>“Share” some of the Taylor Mesa theme 5 designation w/ Stoner Mesa, mostly at the more readily accessible upper “north” end.</td>
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Mesas 1 person would like to see Stoner Mesa a “5”

Mesas No new roads, maintain and open existing roads

Mesas Taylor - have A vs. F eliminated - should be same mgmt. on both sides of single track

Mesas Reserved the trail on top of Stoner Mesa for access to the mesa.

Mesas Themes recommended for Taylor and Stoner are good. They make sense.

Upper Dolores Very fragile and concerned about use through the meadows

Upper Dolores It’s steep and not very usable

Upper Dolores Upper end of Fish Creek a “5” or “4”

Upper Dolores Review the current designation or re-route the trail through calico

Upper Dolores Keep as a 5

Upper Dolores Keep all existing trails

Upper Dolores Calico Trail should be non-motorized.
Upper Dolores Rough country in the Calico area makes sense as theme 3

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<tr>
<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Weed concern</td>
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<td>Stoner Creek has different habitat than Stoner Mesa, yet they have the same designation. More extensive elk habitat is near Stoner Creek.</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>1 person would like to see it upgraded to a &quot;4&quot;</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Better signage on the single track trail</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Would like to see a loop biking trail on Bear Creek</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Bear Creek Trail should be kept open for bike, mechanized, motorized and horse traffic. It is probably not appropriate for Theme 1.</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Bear Ck. Should have more solitude, non-motorized</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Bear Creek is good as a &quot;3&quot;, great horseback area and parking</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Keep Bear Ck. Mgmt. where it is now</td>
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<tr>
<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Move to a 4</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Snowmobiles have minimal impact in this area because they are off road and there is no game.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Upper Ryman Ck. Area - close to motorized use - trashed</td>
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<tr>
<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>It is inappropriate to have off road and off trail snowmobiling here.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Keep as adjusted</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>More weed control in the Black Mesa area.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Keep as is</td>
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<tr>
<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Go from a 3 to a 5 in the Ground Hog Mountain/ Black Mesa area. The timber in that area needs to be harvested to reduce fire hazard.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Re-introduce grazing in the Black Mesa area.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Concern about development, traffic etc.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>More fishing access</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Reasonable “4” on West Fork Road</td>
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<td>Better Signage for river access</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Taylor - should be a 5</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Do not open the whole thing-wildlife is important</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Hillside Drive, Bear Creek and Trail 738 (Loading Pen) all are good &quot;put ins&quot; for Dolores River access. This stretch of the Dolores is desirable boating and is probably consistent with a Theme 4 designation.</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Taylor Mesa should be a “5” but it’s not being used that way. The road is really deteriorating. Unhealthy trees need to be harvested. It needs to be a managed as a “5”</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Want public access to the Stoner ski area</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>There is heavy timber regrowth here. It could be logged again.</td>
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<td>Maintain the designated trail in this area.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Just because it’s flat doesn’t mean it should go up on the scale.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Beautiful beaver dams and great fishing are here.</td>
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<td>Perfect “3”</td>
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<td>It should all remain a “3” to prevent drastic use changes in small areas</td>
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<td>Leave as a 5</td>
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<th>Mesas</th>
<th>Buffer the Fen and other Theme 2 areas, particularly from adjacent Theme 5 areas.</th>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Fen area #2 designation is ok, but note historical uses include grazing and other activities.</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Leave as a 2 - need to protect area our water quality in valleys below - &amp; protect Fens</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Clear Creek Area, Close roads entirely or actively maintain them. Natural barriers to access need to be removed to prevent people from driving around them and damaging surrounding area. This mostly applies to downed trees</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>No problem with suggested theme designation around Rico. It fits better.</td>
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<td>Upper Dolores</td>
<td>Good area for year round recreation</td>
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<td>Keep area in Recreational use then move into mining claims with multi use</td>
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<td>Priest Gulch for a more broad management theme such as a 5 instead of a 3.</td>
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<td>Keep it a “7” closer to Rico and a “4” a little further out</td>
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Upper Dolores Possibly look at a "4" around Rico

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<td>Define the nature, extent and intensity of surface occupancy and leasing for each theme before assigning the theme #.</td>
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<td>Define the nature, extent and intensity of commercial logging on Taylor Mesa before assigning the theme #.</td>
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<td>Mesas</td>
<td>Would rather see Taylor as a 5 not a 3</td>
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<td>If Taylor is a 5, exclude Stoner Ck. - make a lesser #</td>
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<td>Allow timber (Aspen) harvesting on Stoner Mesa - can decommission &amp; re-seed roads afterwards.</td>
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<td>Change to a 1 - east of Calico Rd. - includes Papoose Pk. Area</td>
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