



DRAFT Agenda
Roadless Areas Review Task Force
Business Meeting
December 9, 2005
3:00 – 4:00
Tamarron Lodge
40292 Highway 550
Durango, Colorado

3:00 Welcome

- Schedule
Purpose: build/clarify agreement on additional meetings
 - Western Slope/Grand Junction Public Meeting - Add or swap out Feb. 24th?
 - Denver Public meeting to review TF recommendations
 - TF meetings – add a meeting for deliberations after July? Add a final meeting to integrate public comments from the final Denver meeting
- Clarification of Scope
Purpose: to clarify what the TF will be deciding and the process for decision making
- Public Comment Meeting Summary – the numbers reflecting those who spoke for certain perspectives
Purpose: decide whether to leave the numbers in the summary or remove them
- Small group to select speakers for Pueblo, January 6th
Purpose: select two TF members to develop the list of panelists for the Pueblo meeting
- Speakers – Panelists and Special Presenters
Purpose: to discuss how the panelist selection process was achieved for Durango; clarify the process for selecting panelist for Pueblo and clarify the process for selecting special presenters at TF meetings
- Other

4:00 Adjourn

Dinner

5:00 – 8:30 Public Meeting



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Meeting Summary**

Task Force Members in Attendance:

Russell George	David Petersen	Tom Compton	Joe Duda
Eddie Kochman	Jim Lochhead	Josh Penry	Steve Smith
John Swartout	David Ubell	Doug Young	

Task Force Members Absent: Melanie Mills and Diane Hoppe

TASK FORCE AGREEMENTS

SCHEDULE	
	<p>Western Slope Meeting: Schedule a meeting on the western slope in May/June (not limited to GMUG)</p> <p>July 19th: Public meeting and Task Force deliberative meeting in Denver</p> <p>Additional Deliberative meeting to look across all forests: schedule/decide the need for an additional deliberative meeting at the end of the first deliberative meeting (February 10th).</p>
TEAM TO SELECT PANELIST FOR PUEBLO	
	Steve Smith and Josh Penry. A new team will be selected for the next public comment meeting (Denver, February 24 th), so as to equally distribute the effort.
DEBRIEF CONFERENCE CALL	
	December 12 th , 4:00pm.

DISCUSSION

SCOPE

Josh Penry described the intent of legislation was to focus on management prescriptions and the areas of disagreement (on the edges, lease holds, etc.) and to discuss areas of objections to roadless area restrictions. The intent was not to decide where roadless areas are, this is Forest Service's task.

With the intent in mind, it is important that Forest Service address the following in their written and oral presentation:

1. Describe where areas designated as "roadless" are located – describe difference between 2001 rule and the current rule, if any.
2. Describe the current management objectives/criteria for roadless areas.

3. Describe proposed or ongoing processes that may change the management objectives/criteria.
4. Describe current and projected challenges to the management of roadless areas, such as – budget – development – access/recreation.
5. Describe the various interests and controversies over the management of roadless areas?

DEBRIEF OF PANEL SET UP

Josh Penry and Steve Smith had several suggestions to setting up future panels. They suggested starting early to give the panelists more notice so they can talk with their constituents and prepare/send presentation in writing to the task force. When selecting panelist, identify the salient issues/categories and key stakeholders through conversations with key people in the area, in order to narrow the list to key stakeholders.

It is important to keep track of those parties who communicate frustration with not being selected as a panelist in order that they may be given consideration for the next public comment meeting panel.

Several **concerns** were mentioned including:

- Minimal amount of time non-government employees have to present (government employees at the Durango meeting were given between 5 and 20 minutes, while stakeholder groups were given 1 to 2 minutes on the panel or during public comment).
- One minute was not enough time to get deep information that the task force needs.
- Minimal amount of time for state agencies

A few **options** were suggested:

- open the entire meeting to panel presentations
- provide more opportunities to present at Task Force deliberative meetings

These options will be discussed on the Task Force's debrief conference call Monday, December 12th, 4:00pm.