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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Comments are required regarding; whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by May 30, 2024 will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

### Farm Service Agency

*Title:* County Committee Election.

*OMB Control Number:* 0560–0229.

*Summary of Collection:* This information collection is necessary to effectively allow farmers and ranchers to nominate potential candidates using the form FSA–669A for the FSA county committee election in accordance with the requirements as authorized by the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, as amended.

Specifically, FSA uses the information provided by the nominee annually or, if needed, throughout the year for special elections to create ballots for FSA county committee elections. Elections for FSA county committees are held each year; therefore, nominations for eligible nominees are requested each year. Any individual who meets the qualifications mentioned in form FSA–669A may be nominated by another person or by themselves. The form FSA–669A is used to collect the information for nominations; it requires the name and address of the nominee and the signatures of both the nominee and the person nominating the individual to be a nominee (only one signature is required for self-nominated individuals). Nominee must be eligible to vote in the designated FSA county committee election, eligible to hold the office of FSA county committee member, and willing to serve, if elected. For more information about FSA county committees, including elections, nominations, eligible voters, eligibility, and other related information, see the regulations in 7 *CFR part 7*. In addition, the form also includes a voluntary request for race, ethnicity, and gender information from the nominee. FSA is also using the form FSA–669A–3, Nomination Form for Urban Agriculture FSA Committee Election, to establish Urban Agriculture FSA County Committees in some cities. Completion of the form is voluntary.

*Need and Use of the Information:* FSA will collect information on race, ethnicity and gender of each nominee as provided through the voluntary self-identification of each nominee agreeing to run for a position. The information will be sent to FSA (Kansas City) for preparation of the upcoming election. FSA will review the information annually. If the information is not

collected in any given year, FSA would not be able to prepare the report as required by the regulations.

*Description of Respondents:*

Individuals or households.

*Number of Respondents:* 10,500.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: Annually.

*Total Burden Hours:* 2,625.

**Rachelle Ragland-Greene,**

*Acting Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Rio Grande National Forest Over Snow Travel Management Project

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) to inform a decision about the designation of roads, trails, and areas of the Rio Grande National Forest (RGNF) which would be open to motorized over-snow use. The environmental impact statement will inform a decision about the classes of vehicles and times of year for which motorized over-snow use will be allowed on designated roads, trails, and areas. Roads, trails, and areas designated for motorized over-snow vehicle (OSV) use will be identified on an Over-Snow Vehicle Use Map which will specify the classes of vehicles and time of year for which use is designated on the Rio Grande National Forest. An additional map displaying the Desired Winter Recreation Opportunity Spectrum (ROS) settings will also be produced. The RGNF anticipates this travel management analysis based on the proposed action as presently described and the resulting decision may require an amendment to the Land Management Plan for the Forest.

**DATES:** Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by June 14, 2024. The draft environmental impact statement is expected in the fall of 2025, and the final environmental impact statement is expected in the fall of 2026.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to the Rio Grande National Forest, 1055 9th Street, Del Norte, Colorado 81132. Comments may also be sent electronically to <https://cara.fs2c.usda.gov/Public/CommentInput?project=65529> or via facsimile to 719-657-5280.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Judi Perez, Forest Planner, by phone at 719-872-4008 or by email at [judith.perez@usda.gov](mailto:judith.perez@usda.gov). Individuals who use telecommunications devices for the hearing impaired may call 711 to reach the Telecommunications Relay Service, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Purpose and Need for Action**

There is a need to provide a manageable, designated system of National Forest System roads, National Forest System trails, and areas for OSV use across the Rio Grande National Forest that is consistent with and achieves the purposes of the Forest Service Travel Management Rule at 36 CFR part 212.

The purpose of this project is to effectively manage OSV use on the Rio Grande National Forest to:

- Provide high quality over-snow access and experiences.
- Ensure that OSV use occurs when there is adequate snow to protect underlying resources.
- Promote the safety of all Forest visitors and users.
- Enhance public enjoyment.
- Minimize impacts to natural and cultural resources.
- Minimize conflicts among the various uses.
- Identify roads and trails where the Forest Service or its contractors would conduct snow grooming for OSV use.

**Proposed Action**

The Rio Grande National Forest proposes to designate roads, trails, and areas on National Forest System land for public OSV use. These designations would be consistent with the requirements of the Travel Management Rule at 36 CFR 212 and will specifically address the requirements of Subpart C of those regulations.

The proposed action includes the following:

- Approximately 1,342,162 acres (73 percent) of the Rio Grande National Forest lands are proposed to be designated for public cross-country over-snow vehicle use.
- Approximately 260 miles of currently permitted groomed motorized routes are proposed for designation.

- Approximately 23 miles of non-motorized trail groomed for Nordic skiing using motorized equipment are proposed for designation.

- To reduce potential damage to resources, an unpacked minimum snow depth of 12 inches is required for OSV use on designated roads, trails, and areas.

- Grooming on permitted routes may occur on unpacked snow depths equal to or greater than 18 inches.

- Grooming designated roads and trails will occur using a variety of methods including but not limited to special use permits, partnerships, and/or grants and agreements.

- Public OSV use in Special Designation Management Areas (MA) is restricted. This includes MA 4.1—Special Designation-Special Interest Areas, MA 4.2—Special Designation-Research Natural Areas, and MA 4.8—Ski-Based Areas. Some of these areas are currently permitted for over-snow use. Depending on the project decision, existing permits could be adjusted following completion of this analysis.

- Existing Forest Closure Orders in or around Wolf Creek Pass and Cumbres Pass are incorporated into the proposed action, as is the restriction of motorized use in congressionally designated wilderness.

A more detailed version of the proposed action and draft ROS maps are available on the RGNF website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/riogrande/landmanagement/planning/?cid=fseprd1154726>.

**Minimization Criteria**

Travel Management Regulations (36 CFR 212.55(b)) require the development of project specific minimization criteria. These minimization criteria will be developed and applied to each National Forest System Road, trail, and area designated for OSV use.

**Desired Recreational Opportunity Spectrum**

Recreation on national forests encompasses more than just the activities. The range of opportunities, access, use, and setting is the Recreation Opportunity Spectrum (ROS). Recreation Opportunity Spectrum describes the settings available across a landscape and the attributes associated with those settings. Initial winter ROS maps were developed as part of the proposal and are available on the Rio Grande National Forest website at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/riogrande/landmanagement/planning/?cid=fseprd1154726>.

**Expected Impacts**

Anticipated impacts could include the following:

(1) Reduce adverse resource impacts caused by unauthorized vehicle use and illegal travel off designated routes and areas.

(2) Reduce disturbance to wildlife caused by OSV use in important or critical wildlife habitat and disturbance during critical lifecycle period.

(3) Potential loss of recreational opportunity should existing routes be closed to motorized travel.

(4) Potential conflicts in accommodating increasing numbers and types of motorized users.

**Responsible Official**

The Responsible Official is Andrew Kelher, Deputy Forest Supervisor of the Rio Grande National Forest.

**Scoping Comments and the Objection Process**

This Notice of Intent initiates the formal scoping process that guides the development of the environmental impact statement. In this process the Forest Service is requesting comments on potential alternatives and impacts, and identification of any relevant information, studies, or analyses of any kind concerning impacts affecting the quality of the human environment. Additional public engagement opportunities will be held and will be announced on the RGNF website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/riogrande/landmanagement/planning/?cid=fseprd1154726>.

It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the Forest Service's preparation of the final EIS; therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer's concerns and contentions. Commenting during scoping and any other designated opportunity to comment provided by the Responsible Official as prescribed by the applicable regulations will also govern eligibility to object once the final EIS and draft Record of Decision have been published. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, they will not be used to establish eligibility for the objection process.

Any decision about this project may be subject to 36 CFR 218 and/or 36 CFR 219 pre-decisional review (objection).

Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted timely, specific written comments regarding the proposed project unless based on new information arising after designated opportunities.

#### Nature of Decision To Be Made

The project will designate National Forest System roads, trails, and areas where OSV use is permitted; these will be documented on an Over-snow Vehicle Use Map. This map will also specify the classes of vehicles and the time of year for which the use is designated. A map displaying the Desired Winter ROS settings will also be produced.

Dated: April 22, 2024.

**Troy Heithecker,**

*Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Black Hills National Forest Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Black Hills National Forest Advisory Board will hold a public meeting according to the details shown below. The committee is authorized under the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974, the National Forest Management Act of 1976, the Federal Public Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice and recommendations on a broad range of forest issues such as: forest plan revisions or amendments, forest health including fire, insect and disease, travel management, forest monitoring and evaluation, recreation fees, and site-specific projects having forest-wide implications.

**DATES:** An in-person meeting will be held on May 15, 2024, 1:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m. Mountain Standard Time (MST).

*Written and Oral Comments:* Anyone wishing to provide in-person oral comments must pre-register by 11:59 p.m. MST on May 10, 2024. Written public comments will be accepted by 11:59 p.m. MST on May 10, 2024. Comments submitted after this date will be provided to the Agency, but the

Committee may not have adequate time to consider those comments prior to the meeting.

All board meetings are subject to cancellation. For status of the meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held in person, at the U.S. Forest Service, Mystic Ranger District Office, 8221 Mount Rushmore Road, Rapid City, South Dakota 57702. Board information and meeting details can be found at the following website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/blackhills/workingtogether/advisorycommittees> or by contacting the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

*Written Comments:* Written comments must be sent by email to [scott.j.jacobson@usda.gov](mailto:scott.j.jacobson@usda.gov) or via mail (postmarked) to Scott Jacobson, 8221 Mount Rushmore Road, Rapid City, South Dakota 57702. The Forest Service strongly prefers comments be submitted electronically.

*Oral Comments:* Persons or organizations wishing to make oral comments must pre-register by 11:59 p.m. MST, May 10, 2024, and speakers can only register for one speaking slot. Oral comments must be sent by email to [scott.j.jacobson@usda.gov](mailto:scott.j.jacobson@usda.gov) or via mail (postmarked) to Scott Jacobson, 8221 Mount Rushmore Road, Rapid City, South Dakota 57702.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shawn Cochran, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), by phone at 605-673-9201, or email at [shawn.cochran@usda.gov](mailto:shawn.cochran@usda.gov), or Scott Jacobson, Committee Coordinator at 605-440-1409 or email at [scott.j.jacobson@usda.gov](mailto:scott.j.jacobson@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting agenda will include:

1. Fire Season Preparedness;
2. Recreation and Tourism Economics; and
3. Forest Plan Revision update.

The agenda will include time for individuals to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should make a request in writing at least three days prior to the meeting date to be scheduled on the agenda. Written comments may be submitted to the Forest Service up to 7 days after the meeting date listed under **DATES**.

Please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, by or before the deadline, for all questions related to the meeting. All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received upon request.

*Meeting Accommodations:* The meeting location is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the USDA provides reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities where appropriate. If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpretation, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodation to the person listed under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section or contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

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Equal opportunity practices in accordance with USDA's policies will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by USDA, membership shall include to the extent possible, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and person with disabilities. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Dated: April 4, 2024.

**Cikena Reid,**

*USDA Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-3-2024]

#### Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 89; Authorization of Production Activity; Lithion Battery, Inc.; (Battery Packs and Accessories); Henderson, Nevada

On December 27, 2023, Lithion Battery, Inc. submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ