As discussed under commissioner items last week (6/19), we want to begin putting together more detailed comments to the Forest Service. After meeting with Forest Supervisor Scott Armentrout he suggested we give very specific, ground level suggestions for outcomes.

For the sake of starting this conversation, I have attached some specific interest that have come up through brainstorming for the STOR committee. We should be able to use these as a foundation of developing our more detailed comments to the Forest Service. We will need to think beyond the STOR related issues and consider desired conditions for other activities and opportunities on FS land. Those would include, but are not limited to:

- Agricultural Opportunities
- Mineral Extraction (coal, O&G, hard rock, etc)
- Timber Management
- Wilderness and SMA
- Endangered and Threatened Species
- Roads and connectivity infrastructure (input from Public Works being developed)

Worth some thought at this time is also how we want to format our comments. There are two oblivious ways to move forward:

- Order Comments by geographic areas (ie: Irwin Area, Taylor Park, etc)
- Order Comments by Type of desired outcomes: (trailhead infrastructure, river access, etc)

The following is a broad stroke and by no means a comprehensive list.

Areas of need:

Trailheads:

Peanut Lake, Lower Loop
Gothic Road and Intersections with Slate, Washington and Gothic
Brush Creek Parking Lot and Strand
Signal Peak
Mill Creek
Horse Ranch Park
I Bar
Swampy Pass
Beaver Ponds
Judd Falls
West Maroon
Snodgrass

Cement Creek
Dr. Park
Taylor Park? Where to start…

River Access:

Almont
Slate River
East River
Shady Island/ North Bridge
FS Campground South of Almont
Five Mile
Todd's Slot

Lake Access:

Taylor Reservoir Boat Ramp
Lake Irwin, Peanut Lake
Nicholson

Others:

Campgrounds, Shooting ranges, Motorized use areas

Infrastructure Development and Improvement

(motorcycle and OHV), Stockgrowers, Equestrian, hiking, over snow non-motorized, over snow motorized, sportsmen, river users, lake users.

Land

Motorized and trailer parking at moto area

Signal Peak connection to FS Lands- Western Trailhead

Mill Creek- Parking Lot Organization

Swampy Pass- Parking Lot Organization

Horse Ranch Park- Toilet, Parking Lot, Trainer Parking, Overnight Parking, Day Use Parking

Lake Irwin- Day use area, camping, picnic shelters, toilets. Day use parking, overnight parking, organization

Peanut lake- Toilet, Parking

Nicholson Lake- Toilet, Parking

Long Lake/ Washington Gulch Trailhead

Gothic Trailhead

Judd Falls- Toilet, Bus Turnaround

Copper Creek

Gothic Campground

Rustler Gulch/ Gothic Road
Bellview Trailhead

West Maroon Pass Trailhead

Brush Creek- Toilet

Strand Hill- Close or formalize parking

Snodgrass Trailhead

Cement Creek Caves, campground, deadmans overflow solution

Winter trailhead portatoilet

Eckhert Gulch- CDOT Parking Lot

Dr. Park- What to do, shuttling/ permitting parking

Taylor Park- What to do
Motorized, activity specific trails
Larger campgrounds
Private camping
Enforcement
River

USFS Campground- Boatramp, improved camping

Todd’s Slot- Boatramp