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Dear Interested Party

The Clear Creek Ranger District is proposing the High Peaks to Headwaters Watershed and Fisheries Restoration Project to conduct a suite of aquatic and riparian restoration work in four watersheds in the Upper Clear Creek basin encompassing 105,573 acres. The purpose of this project is to improve and/or maintain watershed conditions by implementing a variety of actions that address impacts to aquatic and streamside habitats. An Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared that discloses the anticipated effects of the proposed actions and is available for public comment.

You are receiving this letter because you may be affected by, or have previously expressed an interest in this project. A copy of the EA can be obtained via mail or email from the address below, or can be downloaded from the following link: <u>USDA Forest Service - Clear Creek</u> <u>Ranger District NEPA Projects - High Peaks to Headwaters Watershed and Fisheries Restoration</u> <u>EA (http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php/?project=38484</u>)

The comment period ends 30 days following the date of publication of this legal notice in the Clear Creek Courant. The date of this publication is the exclusive means for calculating the time to submit comments on the proposed action. Those wishing to comment on this proposal should not rely upon dates or timeframes provided by any other source. Only those who provide comment or otherwise express interest in the proposed action by the close of the comment period will be accepted as appellants. Comments must meet the requirements of 36 CFR 215.6.

Comments received through the US Postal Service must be postmarked no later than the end of the 30 day comment period. All other comments, including email, fax, and personal delivery must be received by COB (4:00 PM) at the Clear Creek Ranger District by the end of the 30-day comment period.

Comments should be sent to: Daniel Lovato, District Ranger, c/o Kelly Larkin-McKim; PO Box 3307, Idaho Springs, CO 80452.

Comments may be e-mailed to <u>comments-rocky-mountain-arapaho-roosevelt-clear-</u> <u>creek@fs.fed.us</u> or faxed to 303.567.3021. Although written comments are preferred, oral comments are also accepted. To provide oral comments or to receive additional information, contact Kelly Larkin-McKim by phone 970.887.4146 or email <u>klarkinmckim@fs.fed.us</u>.

It is the responsibility of all individuals and organizations to ensure their comments are received in a timely manner. For electronically mailed comments, the sender should normally receive an automated electronic acknowledgement from the agency as confirmation of receipt. If the sender does not receive an automated acknowledgement of the receipt of the comment, it is the sender's responsibility to ensure timely receipt by other means.





Comments received, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for this project, and will be available for public inspection.

Sincerely,

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DANIEL A. LOVATO District Ranger