

LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN
PIKE AND SAN ISABEL NATIONAL FORESTS
and
COMANCHE AND CIMARRON NATIONAL GRASSLANDS

AMENDMENT NUMBER 18

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Reason For This Amendment:

A need for an assigned 1D Management Area Prescription (Provides For Utility Corridors) has been identified in the Environmental Assessment prepared for the proposed Methodist Mountain electronic communications site, Salida District, San Isabel National Forest.

The Land and Resource Management Plan (the Forest Plan) requires that all fixed telecommunication electronic sites be within 1D Management Areas (Forest Plan, Chapter III, Page III-104).

Assignment of Management Area 1D (Forest Plan, Chapter III, Pages III-103 through III-106) to the affected National Forest System lands will provide appropriate management guidelines and requirements to ensure protection of other resource values in the area. Assignment of this prescription allows for concentration of utility projects and facilities in one designated area of National Forest System lands.

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This amendment of the Forest Plan and the Forest Plan Map establishes Management Area 1D for certain National Forest System lands atop Methodist Mountain (located in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 31, T.49N., R.9E., New Mexico Principal Meridian), within the Salida District, San Isabel National Forest.

This Forest Plan amendment changes Management Area Summary Table III-3 (Forest Plan, Chapter III, Page 84), to show a change in the acreage in two management areas. Management Area 2A (Emphasis Is On Semiprimitive Motorized recreation Opportunities) acreage decreases by 53 acres; Management Area 1D acreage increases by 53 acres.

In accordance with implementing regulations of the National Forest Management Act (Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 219.10 (f)), I have determined that this amendment will not result in a significant change in the Forest Plan.

Potential environmental, social and economic effects of implementing Forest Plan permitted activities to achieve the management emphasis of all Management Area Prescriptions as disclosed on the Forest Plan Map was documented in the Final environmental Impact Statement which accompanied the Forest Plan.

Therefore, because of the above, I have determined that categorically excluding this amendment from documentation in an environmental assessment or impact statement is appropriate (FSM 1952.2).

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