

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

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Reason For This Amendment:

The Forest Plan assignment of a 7D Management Area Prescription (Emphasis Is On Wood Fiber Production And Utilization For Products Other Than Sawtimber) in the Dry Union Gulch area, Leadville Ranger District, San Isabel National Forest needs to be changed.

The Forest Plan Map (Dry Union Gulch 7D Management Area, Sections 3 through 9 and 16 through 21, T. 10 S., R. 79 W., and Sections 1, 11 through 14, 24 and 25, T. 10 S., R. 80 W., 6th P.M.) should be changed to a 5B Management Area (Emphasis Is On Big Game Winter Range) to provide more appropriate management emphasis and to allow better suited management activities for these National Forest System lands.

Field examination and study has determined that the Dry Union Gulch 7D Management Area should be changed to a 5B Management Area, primarily because of extensive utilization of the area by wildlife as winter and transitional (spring and fall) range. These National Forest System lands are better suited for big game winter range and additional winter range needs to be improved and maintained in the area. During the past few years, management emphasis and activities have been oriented to meet wildlife objectives rather than production of forest products

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This Forest Plan amendment changes Management Area Summary Table III-3 (Forest Plan, Chapter III, Page 84), to show a change in two management areas. Management Area 5B acreage increases by 5,114 acres. Management Area 7D acreage decreases by 5,114 acres.

Maps displaying these Management Area assignment changes are on file at the Forest Supervisor's Office.

In accordance with the 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.

Therefore, because of the above, I have determined there is no significant effect on the human environment and categorically excluding this amendment from documentation in an environmental assessment or impact statement is appropriate (FSM 1952.2).

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Date