

**NOTICE OF DECISION**  
**USDA - Forest Service**  
**Uinta National Forest**  
**Spanish Fork Ranger District**  
**Utah County, Utah**  
**Diamond Fork Group-Site Campground**  
**Environmental Assessment**

The Spanish Fork Ranger District of the Uinta National Forest and Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission have completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Diamond Fork Group-Site Campground. The Responsible Official, Spanish Fork District Ranger, William A.R. Ott, has approved a Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact for the project. The Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission has decided to fund the project as part of meeting the recreation development responsibilities for developed camping identified in the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992, as amended (Public Law 102-575;Public Law 106-140). The analysis area is located in the Diamond Fork drainage approximately 12 miles southeast of Spanish Fork, Utah and the group-site facility would encompass approximately 25 acres.

When the Palmyra and Diamond Fork Campgrounds were reconstructed, there was a net loss of group campsites. With the removal of the group campsite facilities and the increase in demand for developed camping in Diamond Fork, there is a need not only to replace the lost capacity of the group campsite facilities but also to provide additional camping opportunities to meet existing and anticipated demand. The Forest Service recognizes that not all of this demand can be met over the long-term. However, there is a need to meet the demand to the extent possible, and to identify the appropriate location, size and type of facility that can be constructed in Diamond Fork within the limits of resource and fiscal constraints.

District Ranger William A.R. Ott has identified Alternative 4 as the preferred alternative. Alternative 4 was selected as the preferred alternative because it meets the purpose and need for the project, has minimal adverse environmental effects, and is consistent with applicable Forest Plan direction. The alternative includes facilities for 475 PAOT's, including five 4-unit vault toilets, paved access roads and spurs, shade shelters, a water system, trail system, the establishment of vegetation, a host site and an information/fee station, and a fence/gate/cattleguard system.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 215.7, this legal notice provides notification of the final decision associated with the project. This decision is subject to appeal pursuant to 36 CFR 215.11. Individuals and organizations who submitted substantive comments during the comment period may appeal. A written Notice of Appeal, including attachments, must be filed (regular mail, fax, e-mail, hand delivery, express delivery, or messenger service) within 45 days following the date this notice is published in the *Provo Daily Herald*. This legal notice is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an appeal and those wishing to file an appeal should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any

other source.

The Notice of Appeal should be sent to: USDA Forest Service, Uinta National Forest, ATTN; Forest Supervisor, Peter W. Karp – Appeals Deciding Officer, 88 West 100 North, Provo, Utah 84601; FAX to 801-342-5144; or you may hand deliver an appeal to the above address during normal business hours from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. Appeals may also be sent by e-mail to [appeals-intermtn-uinta@fs.fed.us](mailto:appeals-intermtn-uinta@fs.fed.us). Appeals must meet the content requirements of 36 CFR 215.14.

If no appeal is received, implementation of this decision may occur on, but not before 5 business days from the close of the appeal filling period. If an appeal is received, implementation may not occur for 15 days following the date of appeal disposition. Please contact Spanish Fork Ranger District, Uinta National Forest, 44 West 40 North, Spanish Fork Utah 84660; phone 801-79803571; fax 801-798-3050, if you have any questions regarding this project, or if you would like a copy of the Decision Notice and Finding of No Significant Impact (DN/FONSI). The EA and DN/FONSI are also available on the Forest's website at [www.fs.fed.us/r4/uinta/](http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/uinta/).