

NOTICE OF DECISION
USDA - Forest Service
Uinta National Forest
Heber Ranger District Ranger District
Strawberry River Fish Habitat Phase II

The Heber Ranger District of the Uinta National Forest has completed an analysis of the Strawberry River Fish Habitat Phase II Project. The Responsible Official, Heber Ranger Julie King, has made the decision to perform fish habitat and stream channel restoration work on the Strawberry River from the diversion for the UDWR egg taking station to a short distance below the Strawberry River confluence with Clyde Creek. A Decision Notice has been prepared and is available upon request.

This project, in coordination with Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, will restore stream bank stability, riparian vegetation, improve fish habitat, control beaver colonization, and maintain and/or extend the boardwalk trail on approximately ¼ mile of the Strawberry River. This action is needed to meet the desired condition of a properly functioning stream channel and floodplain, which is beneficial to the ecosystem and wildlife habitat in general, but also helps to meet UDWR objectives for habitat and passage of cutthroat trout and Kokanee salmon during spawning.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 215.7, this legal notice provides notification of the final decision associated with this 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, Provo, Utah. 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. Appeals must meet the content requirements of 36 CFR 215.14.

If no appeal is received, implementation of this decision may occur 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 the Heber Ranger District at 2460 South Highway 40, Heber City, UT 84032 or by calling (435) 654-0470 if you have any questions regarding this project.