

**FINAL INVENTORY OF RIVERS ON THE
UINTA NATIONAL FOREST
ELIGIBLE FOR INCLUSION IN THE
NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM**



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ABSTRACT

The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 was enacted to protect and preserve in their free-flowing condition, certain selected rivers of the nation and their immediate environments. The Act established the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, designated rivers included in the system, established policy for managing designated rivers, and prescribed a process for designating additions to the system. The Act requires consideration of wild and scenic rivers as part of the ongoing planning process. In 1997, the Uinta National Forest in consultation with other federal agencies undertook an inventory of the rivers on the Forest to determine whether any might be eligible as wild and scenic rivers. This eligibility inventory does not determine the suitability of a river for designation, nor does it make any decision regarding designation. The Forest Service does not have the authority to designate a wild and scenic river, usually this is done by the U.S. Congress. The draft inventory was released for public review and comment on October 6, 1997. 14 letters were received from the general public, organizations, and other government agencies in response to the draft inventory. As a result of those comments, four rivers were added to the final inventory. This final inventory includes 85 rivers that were segmented into 96 river sections (or segments) for analysis. All segments were subjected to a preliminary screening of values, and 17 segments were found that might potentially have at least one outstandingly remarkable value. The identified values of these 17 were then described and further scrutinized, as was their free-flowing status. Of the 17 segments in the detailed study, eleven were found to be free-flowing. Of these eleven, four were found to possess at least one outstandingly remarkable value and were considered eligible for the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Classification of the eligible rivers found segments of the South Fork, American Fork River (1.0 miles long) and the North Fork, Provo River (1.1 miles long) eligible as wild rivers, both of which also have a very short section potentially eligible as a recreational river. For the other two eligible rivers, Fifth Water Creek (7.8 miles long) is classified as scenic, and a segment of Little Provo Deer Creek (2.6 miles long) is classified as recreational.

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