

Executive Summary:

Dominant forest types: Aspen, spruce, subalpine fir, lodgepole pine, gamble oak, and pinyon-juniper.

Total acreage of the landscape: 930,860 acres. Total acreage to receive treatment: 62,318 acres.
Total number of NEPA ready acres: 55,000 acres. Total number of acres in NEPA process: 7,318.

Description of the most significant restoration needs and actions on the landscape: Actions and methods will be science-based to restore forest conditions and processes. Fire will be used to restore wildlife habitat and reduce hazardous fuels in the wildland-urban interface (WUI). Obliterating unneeded roads, restoring the stream channel, and stabilizing stream banks will reduce sediment, improve fish habitat, and help recover endangered greenback cutthroat trout. The restoration actions will improve sustainable recreation in the nation's most visited national forest.

Description of the highest priority desired outcomes of the project at the end of the 10 year period: Restored forest age class and species diversification; improved wildlife and aquatic habitat; reduced fire hazard and fire suppression costs in the WUI communities near Aspen, Colorado; healthy forest conditions resilient to climate change; and sustainable recreation opportunities.

Description of the most significant utilization opportunities linked to this project: House logs and wood fuel would be used in local area. Develop alternative energy to utilize biomass. Use biochar to reclaim mining waste areas.

Name of the National Forest, collaborative groups, and other major partner categories involved in project development: White River National Forest, Roaring Fork Watershed Collaborative, Future Forest Roundtable (includes recreation groups, conservation groups, a ski company, local landowners, and local government).

Describe the community benefit including number and types of jobs created: TREAT spreadsheet indicates 13.6 direct jobs will be created as a result of this restoration proposal. Indirect jobs created will be 3.8. The types of jobs would be contractors, alternative energy, and tourism.

Total dollar amount requested in FY11: \$338,000.
Total dollar amount requested for life of project: \$7,101,500.

Total dollar amount provided as Forest Service match in FY11: \$550,000.
Total dollar amount provided as Forest Service match for life of project: \$9,181,000.

Total dollar amount provided in Partnership Match in FY11: \$315,000.
Total dollar amount provided in Partnership Match for life of project: \$6,539,000.

Total in-kind amount provided in Partnership Match in FY11: \$305,000.
Total in-kind amount provided in Partnership Match for life of project: \$3,500,000.

Time frame for the project (from start to finish): 10 years (2011-2020).