

POTENTIAL FOREST PLAN AMENDMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROPOSED PROJECT COMPONENTS AND ACTIONS AND PRIMARY ALTERNATIVES ANALYZED IN THE DRAFT EIS

PROJECT COMPONENT OR ACTION	FOREST PLAN STANDARD	AREA OF RESOURCE CONFLICT OR AMENDMENT CONSIDERATION	PRIMARY ALTERNATIVE				
			ENHANCED BUS SERVICE	ENHANCED BUS SERVICE (IN PEAK-PERIOD SHOULDER LANE)	GONDOLA A (FROM LCC PARK-AND-RIDE)	GONDOLA B (FROM LA CAILLE)	COG RAIL (FROM LA CAILLE)
FHWA appropriation of NFS lands	NOT APPLICABLE	FHWA appropriation of NFS lands for highway purposes		✓	✓	✓	✓
Snow sheds and berm construction	S3.1W	Road construction	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Snow sheds and realigned road construction	S3.1W	Road construction	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New trailhead development – Bridge and/or Lisa Falls Trailhead(s)	S3.1W	New recreation facility development	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Expansion of existing White Pine Trailhead	S3.1W	New recreation facility development	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Reconstruction of Grit Mill Trailhead	S3.1W	New recreation facility development					✓
Reconstruction of Alpenbock Trailhead	S3.1W	New recreation facility development			✓	✓	✓
Peak-period shoulder lane construction	S3.1W	Road construction		✓			✓
Cog rail track construction	S3.1W	Road construction					✓
Cut-and-fill slopes	S22	Scenic integrity level		✓			✓

FOREST PLAN AMENDMENT PROCESS

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

- Public notice
- Public comments

REQUIREMENTS

- Base the amendment on a preliminary identification of the need to change the plan.
- Provide opportunities for public participation and public notification.
- Amend the plan consistent with the Forest Service's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) procedures.
- Follow the applicable format for plan components set out in the planning regulations for the plan direction added or modified by the amendment.
- Determine which specific substantive requirement(s) within the planning regulations is (are) directly related to the plan direction being added, modified, or removed by the amendment, and apply such requirement(s) within the scope and scale of the amendment.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

- The Forest Service's planning regulations include a pre-decisional administrative review (referred to in the Draft EIS as objection) process for plan amendments. This process gives an individual or entity an opportunity for an independent Forest Service review and resolution of issues before a plan amendment is approved.
- If the Forest Service amends the 2003 Revised Forest Plan: Wasatch-Cache National Forest, the amendment would apply only to the project, and the decision for the project-specific amendment would be in the same decision document that would approve the project. As such, per the planning regulations, the administrative review process of 36 CFR part 218, subparts A and B, would apply.
- Written objections, including any attachments, must be filed within 45 days following the publication date of the draft decision for a project-specific plan amendment. The reviewing officer must issue a written response to the objector(s) concerning their objection(s) within 45 days of the end of the objection-filing period. The responsible official would not issue a decision document concerning the proposed plan amendment until the reviewing officer has responded in writing to all objections.