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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Pine Springs Road	
Length: 2.15 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** High	
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder			
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin				
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Exclosure Fence	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat75: The route may be used to access certified water right recorded with the State of Utah.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA: Trail Canyon
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Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
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Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
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Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Site barrier with natural materials

Alternative C

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None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Limited

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1:** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a salting location, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to salt lick, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Close portion beyond salt lick; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a salt lick location, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.48 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Site barrier with natural materials

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land. Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area. Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Site barrier with natural materials

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to salt lick, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.27 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat52: Closing this route could reduce the potential for impacts to sites of tribal significance by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may “damage” BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence and gate, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to lands with wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Close portion beyond campsite; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence and gate, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Close portion beyond campsite; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon			
Length: 0.22 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Medium	
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur			
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Landowner
Origin	☒ Constructed			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private		

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.99 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 3.19 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat63: Allowing continued use of this route, with additional agency management, would not contribute to impairment of wilderness characteristics due to the fact that the route is within a cherrystem, outside of lands found to have wilderness character
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this wilderness inventory road would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics (LWC or WSA) by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:

Maintenance: Repair barricades at WSA boundary

Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

Monitoring: Route proliferation

Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this wilderness inventory road would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics (LWC or WSA) by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Repair barricades at WSA boundary
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat61: Continued use of this wilderness inventory road would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics (LWC or WSA) by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.79 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence and spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence and spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.5 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.13 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat38: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife and for impacts to wildlife habitats.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat89: Limiting motorized use to administrative access only would contribute to the success of future habitat restoration projects.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat38: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife and for impacts to wildlife habitats.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat89: Limiting motorized use to administrative access only would contribute to the success of future habitat restoration projects.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.2 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Initial Evaluation Date: 7/20/2020

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Kane Spring Road
Length: 5.37 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Braided	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Exclosure Fence	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to spring developments, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to spring developments, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 7/20/2020

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Shea Owens, Legal Council
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.16 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a corral and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a corral and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.2 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, harassment of wildlife, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.48 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat27: Closing the route would reduce the potential for conflicts between off-road vehicle users and dispersed, non-motorized/non-mechanized forms of recreation.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Graveled ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Other	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to fiber optic line and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
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Shea Owens, Legal Council
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.4 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information Route documented 603 inventory route.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat108: Per the Settlement, this alternative includes measures limiting, to the greatest extent possible (consistent with applicable laws, regulations, or existing right-of-way authorizations), the ORV use on this route to enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route could minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting “motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA.” While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not “designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails”….”or classify them as assets.” For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a “non-motorized and non-mechanized trail” or 2) to “Close the route to motorized/mechanized use.” This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a ‘primitive route’.

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Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, harassment of wildlife and/or vegetative damage.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.75 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	BLM Adjacent FO DO or SO	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, harassment of wildlife and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, harassment of wildlife and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, harassment of wildlife and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.49 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing important recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing important recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.46 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.28 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.32 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Shea Owens, Legal Council
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 12B.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a trough, tank and pipeline, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a trough, tank and pipeline, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a trough, tank and pipeline, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.45 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Y Intersection
Surface & Maint. ☒ Graveled ☒ Bladed ☒ Infreq. Maintained ☒By: Kane County
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Comprehensive Designation:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.17 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Graveled ☒ Bladed ☒ Infreq. Maintained ☒By: Kane County
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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Alternative C

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OPEN

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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.24 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 7/20/2020

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Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.51 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fencing, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fencing, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Shea Owens, Legal Council
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.39 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the expected traffic volume and speeds on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Initial Evaluation Date: 7/21/2020

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Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.11 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.77 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities on slickrock without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to monitoring site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Terminate 200 meters of route end
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.66 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
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John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.27 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across this area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across this area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across this area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.69 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across this area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across this area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.57 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 2.2 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	BLM Adjacent FO DO or SO	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	County Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Other	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Route proliferation; WSA, LWC
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Potential Management Actions:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

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Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.63 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.68 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D. GIS mapping error shows route within WSA; route is WSA boundary.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to nearby wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Potential Management Actions:

Maintenance: Repair barricades at WSA boundary

Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

Monitoring: Route proliferation

Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to nearby wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:

Maintenance: Repair barricades at WSA boundary

Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

Monitoring: Route proliferation

Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Route proliferation; WSA, LWC; Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 2.07 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Other habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, harassment of wildlife, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Other habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.24 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Documented way 1979 603 inventory.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wild and Scenic River Corridor	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route relies on access from State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat59: By providing a critical trail connection that would minimize the inclination to travel off-trail, potential impacts on T&E habitat would be reduced.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to W&SR values and wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA condition; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route relies on access from State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat59: By providing a critical trail connection that would minimize the inclination to travel off-trail, potential impacts on T&E habitat would be reduced.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to W&SR values and wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA condition; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 5.49 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route provides access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route provides access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.38 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, harassment of wildlife, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 12.63 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. This is the southern portion of route 20 that is not within the WSA, in that this portion of route 20 is cherry-stemmed from the WSA. Other portions of route 20 will be addressed as separate segments, and numbered differently.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Airport / Airstrip	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Cabin	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Exclosure Fence	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☐	☐	☒	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wild and Scenic River Corridor	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.16 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.25 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.68 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to woodcutting, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.88 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hill Climbing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.44 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 20J.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides alternate access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access for recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.13 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes south portion of 2008 route 20G.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
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Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.57 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Route	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Includes portion of 2008 route 20G. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access for recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access for recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.24 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence and corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

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James Holland, Geologist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.49 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat63: Allowing continued use of this route, with additional agency management, would not contribute to impairment of wilderness characteristics due to the fact that the route is within a cherrystem, outside of lands found to have wilderness character
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Repair barricades at WSA boundary
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.06 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**NO**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative C

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced. Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* **Closure Method:** Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.42 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.

Additional Information County Class D.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED W/ MANAGEMENT

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat13: By eliminating public motorized use, the remaining traffic volume associated with authorized facility operations and maintenance would be minimal, which would reduce the potential for impacts to documented resources and facilities.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Condition of WC; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pasture fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Condition of WC
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** High
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Swimming	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Trail Running	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Non-TES raptor nest	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/2 mile	
Managed Species	Fisheries (native)	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 feet	
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Cleanup of waste; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Litter / Dumping; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

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OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Cleanup of waste; Signing - Regulatory
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Cleanup of waste; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Litter / Dumping; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 3.26 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** High
Route Type(s) ☒ Principal Feeder
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information County Class D. This is the middle portion of route 20 that is within the WSA. Other portions of route 20 will be addressed as separate segments, and numbered differently. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Exclosure Fence	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Fisheries (native)	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wild and Scenic River Corridor	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Invasive vegetation	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics (LWC or Natural Area) by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pasture fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Condition of WC
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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics (LWC or Natural Area) by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pasture fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Monitoring: Route proliferation; Condition of WC
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.09 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Multiple entities
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class B. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. This is the northern portion of route 20 that is not within the WSA. Other portions of route 20 will be addressed as separate segments, and numbered differently.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Cabin	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☐	☐	☒	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Swimming	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Trail Running	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Non-TES raptor nest	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Fisheries (native)	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all

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motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access. Existing management practices address the identified issues.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and private land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access. Existing management practices address the identified issues.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Shunes Hollow Road
Length: 8.33 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment and pasture fences, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.29 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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Alternative C

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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
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Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.54 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.8 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Other habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pipeline, gate and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.23 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.8 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.03 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 26B.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.22 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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James Holland, Geologist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.54 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

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Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.32 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.31 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route relies on access from private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route relies on access from private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.19 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Y Intersection	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 2008 route 27A. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 2.66 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA, LWC
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA, LWC
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.44 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.74 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may “damage” BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory, WSA
Monitoring: Route proliferation; LWC, WSA condition
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.54 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 28F.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.91 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM; Landowner
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.74 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property in the event of primary route washout and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Close southern portion; Signing - Regulatory
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.17 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

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- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

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Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Trespass	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion. Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use. Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C	
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.92 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information County Class D.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.44 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** High
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.78 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 2008 route 29A.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Other habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.9 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Y Intersection
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Recreation Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☐	☒	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Interpretive Site	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Other	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☒	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed recreation site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Evaluate alternate parking lot locations; Signing - Interpretive, Relocate existing kiosks out of wash
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed recreation site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Evaluate alternate parking lot locations; Signing - Interpretive, Relocate existing kiosks out of wash
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed recreation site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Evaluate alternate parking lot locations; Signing - Interpretive, Relocate existing kiosks out of wash
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.14 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Other	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Y Intersection
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
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Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Interpretive Site	☐	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☐	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☐	☐	☒	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Other	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.39 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Interpretive Site	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Other	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☒	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 4 - High	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed recreation site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Evaluate alternate parking lot locations; Signing - Interpretive, Relocate existing kiosks out of wash
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed recreation site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Evaluate alternate parking lot locations; Signing - Interpretive, Relocate existing kiosks out of wash; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed recreation site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Evaluate alternate parking lot locations; Signing - Interpretive, Relocate existing kiosks out of wash; Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Track site
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 3.22 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Braided
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to water development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.4 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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Alternative D

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OPEN

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Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 3.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.69 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 31E.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Activities				
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
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Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
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Origin
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Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.55 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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James Holland, Geologist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 2.73 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Tribal	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Route alignment moved out of wash.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Tribal Lands or Facilities	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.7 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed ☒ Infreq. Maintained ☒By: Permittee
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 32L.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pipeline, troughs, tanks, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: Relocation of the existing route to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pipeline, troughs, tanks, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.32 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Tribal

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Tribal Lands or Facilities	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to monitoring site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to monitoring site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to monitoring site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat34: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

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James Holland, Geologist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.22 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Tribal

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Tribal Lands or Facilities	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat97: Designation would have minimal affect on xero-riparian resources because the route is located in a drainage that is regularly scoured by flood events, periodically eliminating all traces of previous travel. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat8: Closing the route would promote of safety of all users of public land by eliminating access to an area with known hazards where mitigation is not feasible. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to WSA resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat97: Designation would have minimal affect on xero-riparian resources because the route is located in a drainage that is regularly scoured by flood events, periodically eliminating all traces of previous travel.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeting recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional; Formalize campsites
Mitigation: Flash flood safety signing
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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Rat97: Designation would have minimal affect on xero-riparian resources because the route is located in a drainage that is regularly scoured by flood events, periodically eliminating all traces of previous travel.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeting recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional; Formalize campsites
Mitigation: Flash flood safety signing
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 3.94 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Tribal

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Tribal Lands or Facilities	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat52: Closing this route could reduce the potential for impacts to areas of tribal interest by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a scenic vista, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.51 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat47: Providing a managed route reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.12 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.56 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** High
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Documented way 1979 603 inventory.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides access to State Park and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat64: Conditional use of this WSA primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness character by providing reasonable, allowable access along a pre-existing route to historically used trailheads and campgrounds. Additionally, the 603 wilderness inventory determined that the route did not sufficiently degrade naturalness to the point of excluding the route from the inventory area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:

Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation

Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:

Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation

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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.2 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.

Additional Information Documented way 1979 603 inventory.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat64: Conditional use of this WSA primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness character by providing reasonable, allowable access along a pre-existing route to historically used trailheads and campgrounds. Additionally, the 603 wilderness inventory determined that the route did not sufficiently degrade naturalness to the point of excluding the route from the inventory area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.23 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route provides east/west access for non-highway vehicles as an alternate to the paved Coral Pink Sand Dunes road. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Tribal

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Tribal Lands or Facilities	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat52: Closing this route could reduce the potential for impacts to sites of tribal significance by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; WSA boundary barriers
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; WSA boundary barriers
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.27 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Tribal	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Tribal Lands or Facilities	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED W/ MANAGEMENT

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (Native Americans engaged in traditional activities) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat5: By eliminating public motorized access on this route, potential impacts to documented resources associated with motorized use would be reduced.
Rat65: Allowing limited use of this route would not adversely affect wilderness values because the route surfacing is durable and the route is located in an environmentally preferable location.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; WSA boundary barriers
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, tank, trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; WSA boundary barriers
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; WSA boundary barriers
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.55 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State Park and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping and scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State Park and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.81 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Area Designation:
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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pasture fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☐	☒	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☐	☒	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.14 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
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Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☐	☒	☐	

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
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Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.05 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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Alternative C

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Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
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Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Park

Additional Information Route provides east/west access for non-highway vehicles as an alternate to the paved Coral Pink Sand Dunes road. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.41 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Graveled
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Park

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Non-Linear	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State Park and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat55: Continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State Park and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.04 miles
Width: Dual Track
Class: Primitive Roads
Use Level: Medium
Route Type(s)
☒ Connector
☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
☒ Bladed
Origin
☒ Mining
Jurisdictions:
☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hill Climbing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.42 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin ☒ Mining
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hill Climbing	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Barriers
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Barriers
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.08 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to vista opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.4 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Withdrawal Public Water Reserve	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence and gate, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat17: The ROW for the SE portion of this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat75: The route may be used to access certified water right recorded with the State of Utah.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route. The ROW associated with this route is the determining document with regard to a designation. The Route Evaluation Process carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis during the NEPA portion of the development of a Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route. The ROW associated with this route is the determining document with regard to a designation. The Route Evaluation Process carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis during the NEPA portion of the development of a Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.2 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin ☒ Mining
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat70: Route provides access camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat70: Route provides access camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.91 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat17: The ROW for part of this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat70: Route provides access camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat75: The route may be used to access certified water right recorded with the State of Utah.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat75: The route may be used to access certified water right recorded with the State of Utah.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
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Rat70: Route provides access camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.74 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.09 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Withdrawal Public Water Reserve	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Rat70: Route provides access to scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.55 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat75: The route may be used to access certified water right recorded with the State of Utah.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.69 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Interpretive Site	☐	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☐	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☐	☐	☒	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Other	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed recreation site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed recreation site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.44 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sledding	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Other	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and typical speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.06 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Interpretive Site	☐	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☐	☐	☒	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.33 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.47 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the medium traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the medium traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 4 - High	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Trespass	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to paleo sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat52: Closing this route could reduce the potential for impacts to sites of tribal concerns by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Fence or barrier to natural barrier; Sign Closed

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.1 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.26 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative C

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.4 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Landowner
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.19 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

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Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D	
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Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing important camping recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.01 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
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Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.33 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

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Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

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General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

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- ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route 40K may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OPEN

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Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

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Alternative D

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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Initial Evaluation Date: 6/3/2020

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.09 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? Route TC0015 may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.	**YES**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.6 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Undesignated

Route Designation:
Closed

This route was officially closed as part of a planning and NEPA process and is currently not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access for challenging OHV opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.69 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Route is on 603 1979 inventory as a way. Includes 2008 route 40R. Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to endangered or threatened habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.1 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.61 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.

Additional Information County Class D.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to endangered or threatened habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.19 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Close route beyond campsite; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.62 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.55 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.21 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Route repositioned due to mapping error.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.9 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.43 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat47: Providing a managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a scenic vista, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.51 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides important access to recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.13 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.31 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route was obliterated by a resource treatment, but it is an important route for connectivity and is being reestablished. This alignment is generally the best location of this existing route for users of the area. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.06 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative C

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route was obliterated by a resource treatment, but it is an important route for connectivity and is being reestablished. This alignment is generally the best location of this existing route for users of the area. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route 41I may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.01 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D	
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.05 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route was obliterated by a resource treatment and is being reestablished. This alignment is generally the best location of this existing route for users of the area. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route was obliterated by a resource treatment and is being reestablished. This alignment is generally the best location of this existing route for users of the area. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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James Holland, Geologist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.08 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method:

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.24 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☐ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is obscure, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.16 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☐ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.16 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☐ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Route Designation:
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Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☐ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is obscure, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to treat noxious weed infestations would minimize the potential for new disturbances to

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to treat noxious weed infestations would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP042H
Length: 0.36 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☐ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**NO**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**NO**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☐ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.85 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to monitoring site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to monitoring site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Infreq. Maintained ☒By: BLM
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal

None.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

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James Holland, Geologist
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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.57 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon			
Length: 0.93 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Medium	
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin				
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private		

Additional Information County Class B Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Kanab thelypody habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources. The ROW associated with this route is the determining document with regard to a designation. The Route Evaluation Process carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis during the NEPA portion of the development of a Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.14 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat12: This route provides access to State lands and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to monitoring site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.36 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Connects with TC1001.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
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VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area. Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
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Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.27 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D K1545.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP044A
Length: 1.1 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☐ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.84 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D 1560.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☐ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

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Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route 44B may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is obscure, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.67 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.67 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.17 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? Route TC0048 may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.	**YES**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use. Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C	
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Length: 0.27 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? Route TC0048 may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.	**YES**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.12 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.03 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Natural barriers
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 2.03 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/2 mile	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, corral and spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, corral and spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, corral and spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.03 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.17 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Additional Information None.

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General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities

Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.96 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/2 mile	
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.29 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes part of 2008 route 46J.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.41 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
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Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/2 mile	
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Clay Stewart, Assistant Field Manager
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.19 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/2 mile	
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.68 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 47A Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/2 mile	
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.2 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to woodcutting, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat1: This route is important for connectivity, serving recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 5.32 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 2008 route 43.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Exclosure Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	OHV Play Area	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hill Climbing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sledding	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Dunes	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Animals	Monarch butterfly potential habitat	☐	☐	☒	☒	200 meters	
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Welsh's milkweed (Asclepias welshii) habitat	☐	☐	☒	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ACEC - Area of Critical Environmental Concern	☒	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat69: Allowing administrative access to support fire suppression activities would contribute to protecting identified resource values. (BLM would consider wildlife management strategies and would implement the tactics that best protect public safety and other values at risk.)
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a corral and spring, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Continue to maintain existing fencing
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping; Milkweed
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat69: Allowing administrative access to support fire suppression activities would contribute to protecting identified resource values. (BLM would consider wildlife management strategies and would implement the tactics that best protect public safety and other values at risk.)
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Potential Management Actions:

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Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping; Milkweed

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.16 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Barriers at LWC/ACEC boundary; Signing - Regulatory, User track extending from State lands
Monitoring: Route proliferation, LWC
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Monitoring: Route proliferation, LWC
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.76 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route:	**YES**
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☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
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Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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OPEN

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.97 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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Alternative C

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Alternative D

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.14 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

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Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☐	☐	☒

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to exceptional scenic vista without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.13 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat8: Closing the route would promote of safety of all users of public land by eliminating access to an area with known hazards where mitigation is not feasible.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions related to safety and route proliferation, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Install gate
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.17 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to exceptional scenic vista without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat8: Closing the route would promote of safety of all users of public land by eliminating access to an area with known hazards where mitigation is not feasible.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Alternative D

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OPEN

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This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Mixed Conifer	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Memo(s): Route closure does not preclude camping within 150' of Route 50.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Memo(s): Route closure does not preclude camping within 150' of Route 50.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing OHV recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 5.9 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Documented way 1979 603 inventory.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Technical Vehicle Site / Trail	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ACEC - Area of Critical Environmental Concern	☒	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat64: Conditional use of this WSA primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness character by providing reasonable access to historically used trailheads and campgrounds, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat76: The route may be used to access a water resources monitoring site.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a pasture fence and developed spring, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Continue to maintain existing fencing
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Consider options for reducing soil loss
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.88 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information County Class D. Documented way 1979 603 inventory.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Technical Vehicle Site / Trail	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat64: Conditional use of this WSA primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness character by providing reasonable access to historically used trailheads and campgrounds, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat76: The route may be used to access a water resources monitoring site.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a pasture fence and developed spring, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Consider options for reducing soil loss
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a corral, gate, fence and spring development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat64: Conditional use of this WSA primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness character by providing reasonable access to historically used trailheads, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Cottonwood Canyon	
Length: 5.12 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** High	
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder			
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: City of Fredonia
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ACEC - Area of Critical Environmental Concern	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Water Resources	Well	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (utility personnel, private land owner) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round. *Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.*

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee, utility personnel, private land owner) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat49: By eliminating public motorized access to a spring source and limiting access to infrequent administrative use, the potential for impacts to water quality and quantity would be reduced.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat37: Limiting motorized access on this route would minimize potential for impacts to wildlife habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.26 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 4 - High	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (utility personnel, private land owner) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round. *Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.*

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee, private land owner) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round. *Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.*

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:

Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range management, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat14: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, which minimizes the potential for motorized trespass on private, state or other lands restricted from public use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.45 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (utility personnel, private land owner) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round. *Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.*

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
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Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Length: 0.08 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.29 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
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VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
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Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

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None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Gumbo milkvetch habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized access from the immediate area.
Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive Gumbo milkvetch.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized access from the immediate area.
Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive Gumbo milkvetch.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat69: Allowing administrative access to support fire suppression activities would contribute to public safety and enhance protection of identified resource values. (BLM would consider wildlife management strategies and would implement the tactics that best protect public safety and other values at risk.)
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.01 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Route	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Includes part of 2008 routes 54 and 54B. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☒	☐	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.
Rat27: Closing the route would reduce the potential for conflicts between off-road vehicle users non-motorized/non-mechanized forms of recreation.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Memo(s): The designation would not apply to portions of the Cottonwood Trail that overlap this route. The trail has been authorized via NEPA.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Memo(s): The designation would not apply to portions of the Cottonwood Trail that overlap this route. The trail has been authorized via NEPA.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

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Rat27: Closing the route would reduce the potential for conflicts between off-road vehicle users non-motorized/non-mechanized forms of recreation.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Memo(s): The designation would not apply to portions of the Cottonwood Trail that overlap this route. The trail has been authorized via NEPA.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.44 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information Includes part of 2008 route 54. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Do Not Designate - Route is in Natural Area

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☒	☐	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat37: Limiting motorized access on this route would reduce overall traffic volume, which would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats.
Rat38: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat14: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, which minimizes the potential for motorized trespass on private, state or other lands restricted from public use.
Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat108: Per the Settlement, this alternative includes measures limiting, to the greatest extent possible (consistent with applicable laws, regulations, or existing right-of-way authorizations), the ORV use on this route to enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Memo(s): The designation would not apply to portions of the Cottonwood Trail that overlap this route. The trail has been authorized via NEPA. An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat108: Per the Settlement, this alternative includes measures limiting, to the greatest extent possible (consistent with applicable laws, regulations, or existing right-of-way authorizations), the ORV use on this route to enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Memo(s): The designation would not apply to portions of the Cottonwood Trail that overlap this route. The trail has been authorized via NEPA. An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range trend study and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat65: Allowing continued use of this primitive route would not adversely affect the area's naturalness component because the route surfacing is durable and the wilderness inventory determined the route did not sufficiently degrade naturalness to the point of excluding the route from the inventory area.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Gumbo milkvetch habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized access from the immediate area.
Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive Gumbo milkvetch.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized access from the immediate area. Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive Gumbo milkvetch. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat69: Allowing administrative access to support fire suppression activities would contribute to public safety and enhance protection of identified resource values. (BLM would consider wildlife management strategies and would implement the tactics that best protect public safety and other values at risk.)
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Initial Evaluation Date: 6/3/2020

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Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.02 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information K1070. R.S. 2477 adjudicated at 2103. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The adjudication decision for this County road is the final determination with regard to this route's designation. The REP carries forward this court decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Additional Information None.

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
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Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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Alternative C

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.18 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Landowner
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.12 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Landowner
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
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Alternative B

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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat8: Closing the route would promote of safety of all users of public land by eliminating access to an area with known hazards where mitigation is not feasible.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is beginning to reclaim due barrier at private land, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat8: Closing the route would promote of safety of all users of public land by eliminating access to an area with known hazards where mitigation is not feasible. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat84: Because this route is beginning to reclaim due barrier at private land, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use. Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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James Holland, Geologist
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.48 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.45 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.38 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
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Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Trespass	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.03 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.28 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route TC0020 may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
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Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.42 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route TC0030 may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.08 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to exceptional camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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Alternative D

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Rat70: Route provides access to exceptional camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.24 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Evaluate barrier options
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Evaluate barrier options
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.24 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

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None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.31 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes part of 2008 route 58B.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.41 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat47: By providing a well-designed and constructed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to tank and trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to tank and trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.6 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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OPEN

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.35 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☐	☒	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area. Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to scenic recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.39 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to scenic recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.66 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
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Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
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Additional Information None.

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐

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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.23 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D K1170. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat47: By providing a well-designed and constructed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route provides primary access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat47: By providing a well-designed and constructed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat47: By providing a well-designed and constructed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.27 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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OPEN

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Length: 0.08 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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OPEN

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Alternative D

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OPEN

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.27 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.46 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
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Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.09 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed spring, trough and tanks, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route links from State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed spring, trough and tanks, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route links from State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.55 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C	
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Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife. Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.17 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Withdrawal Public Water Reserve	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Evaluate options
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed spring, trough and tanks, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.89 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Welsh's milkweed (Asclepias welshii) habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Evaluate options
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Evaluate options
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to developed spring, trough and tanks, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.2 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.52 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Withdrawal Public Water Reserve	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Welsh's milkweed (Asclepias welshii) habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Evaluate options
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

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OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Alternative D

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Welsh's milkweed (Asclepias welshii) habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife. Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to scenic opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.47 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.21 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Windmill/Well	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access for recreation opportunities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.75 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to water development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to water development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to water development, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access for allotment management, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access for recreation opportunities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to exceptional recreational opportunities for camping and OHV recreation in Ponderosa pine without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access for recreation opportunities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to exceptional recreational opportunities for camping and OHV recreation in Ponderosa pine without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.54 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mineral materials sales site	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides access to mineral materials site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides access to mineral materials site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides access to mineral materials site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.59 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.57 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
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- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route 66G may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☐	☒	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
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Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.25 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Barriers at end of route
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Barriers at end of route
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional camping and scenic recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.1 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
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☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

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Potential Management Actions:
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Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.31 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Welsh's milkweed (Asclepias welshii) habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Natural barriers (proliferation); Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.03 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Welsh's milkweed (Asclepias welshii) habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	300 meters	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.02 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ron Torgerson, Deputy Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.19 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions related route proliferation, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Evaluate barrier options
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.29 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.45 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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OPEN

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Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Length: 1 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
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Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 4.14 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Route	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County; BLM
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class B & D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Recreation Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Interpretive Site	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Staging Area	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.92 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Potential Management Actions:

Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping; WSA

Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping; WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.88 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

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OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
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Alternative B

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OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.03 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.08 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.74 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to endangered or threatened habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.1 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.1 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**NO**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.36 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks Les Weeks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	7/23/2020

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.44 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Birding	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.01 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route documented 1979 603 inventory route. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal

None.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**NO**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Poverty Road
Length: 3.74 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Route	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		

Additional Information County Class D. This is the WSA interior portion of route 70. The non-WSA portion of route 70 will be addressed a separate segment, and numbered differently. Route documented 1979 603 inventory route. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Technical Vehicle Site / Trail	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Fisheries (native)	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wild and Scenic River Corridor	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs or Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat59: By providing a critical trail connection that would minimize the inclination to travel off-trail, potential impacts on T&E species and their habitats would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:

Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

Monitoring: Route proliferation; Condition of WC

Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 2.6 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Consider barrier placements; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Consider barrier placements; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.95 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Coal	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☐	☒	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.55 miles **Width:** Multi Lane **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Paved ☒ Bladed ☒ Reg. Maintained ☒By: Kane County
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Portion of old State Route 9. County Class B &D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Coal	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.38 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop ☒ Y Intersection
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 71C.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mineral materials sales site	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping; Site expansion
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping; Site expansion
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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	Mark Boshell, Legal Council	**Lisa Church**, Wildlife Biologist
	Ade Nelson, Resource Planner	**James Holland**, Geologist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.62 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information	Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.23 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☒

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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.54 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Coal	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☐	☒	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat68: By closing the route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wilderness characteristics would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.71 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.86 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	☒ Braided
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information Includes 008 routes 71J and 71H.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

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Alternative C

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OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.13 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

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Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
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Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.49 miles **Width:** Multi Lane **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Paved ☒ Bladed

Additional Information Route documented in 2008 RMP as primitive route. Portion of historic section of Highway 9; not currently part of Highway 9.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to adjacent MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Condition of WC
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Condition of WC
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.2 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wild and Scenic River Corridor	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.05 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
Shea Owens, Legal Council
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.17 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.43 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics (LWC or Natural Area) by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Consider barrier placements
Monitoring: Route proliferation; WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area. Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats. Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.14 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized access from the immediate area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☐	☒	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 3.33 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Water Haul Site	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to tank, trough, pond, corral and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to tank, trough, pond, corral and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to tank, trough, pond, corral and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.77 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Portion is wilderness inventory road. Route location does not match wilderness characteristics boundary due to mapping errors.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to resource treatment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.24 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Mixed Conifer	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.23 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to resource treatment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.22 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.29 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
James Holland, Geologist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.15 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Water Haul Site	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to tank, trough and water haul site], would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 4.93 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D. Road location does not match WSA boundary exactly due to mapping error.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.21 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.41 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Mark Boshell, Legal Council
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.44 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pond, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to ponds, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.45 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.1 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.35 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Some wilderness inventory road.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.29 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 3.63 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Gate needed at junction of 2008 routes 74 and 74G.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.7 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Within State Highway 9 ROW.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
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Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat8: Management of the route is outside BLM's jurisdiction. UDOT manages transportation within this ROW.

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 74B.

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Consider realigning NW to tie to 2008 route 74B
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.27 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.38 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Y Intersection
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.03 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.89 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.86 miles
Width: Dual Track
Class: Primitive Roads
Use Level: Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.29 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important woodcutting without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Within State Highway 9 ROW.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat8: Management of the route is outside BLM's jurisdiction. UDOT manages transportation within this ROW. The ROW associated with this route is the determining document with regard to a designation. The Route Evaluation Process carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis during the NEPA portion of the development of a Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.08 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
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Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important woodcutting without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

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Origin
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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat70: Route provides access to important woodcutting without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.12 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.06 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
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Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
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VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.42 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 75H.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important woodcutting without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important woodcutting without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.97 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Braided	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.21 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Shooting / Archery	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Close route beyond, approx. 150 yards.
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Potential Management Actions:
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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner

TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	North Fork Road	
Length: 6.54 miles	**Width:** Multi Lane	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** High	
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder			
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin				
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private		

Additional Information County Class B. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	FS Adjacent Ranger District	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Recreation Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	
Mineral Facilities	Coal	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	AML site	☐	☐	☒	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☐	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☐	☐	☒	☒	100 meters	
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☒	100 meters	
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat76: The route may be used to access a water resources monitoring site.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.74 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Trespass	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat25: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of illegal dumping on soils and vegetation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Initiate ROW/easement access negotiation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.41 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Includes 2008 route 90D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Trespass	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for unauthorized developments on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Initiate ROW/easement access negotiation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.51 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat25: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of illegal dumping on soils and vegetation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Initiate ROW/easement access negotiation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.25 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive animal species.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive animal species. Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
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Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.63 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.24 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Abandoned with construction and use of route TC1024; NEPA done. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**NO**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators:
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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.1 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

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Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Modified Date: 1/6/2021

Modified Reason: Due to public comment on location of part of the route within Natural Area.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.3 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D, east half. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
SUWA	Closed	Close to preserve and maintain wilderness characteristics.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☐	☐	☒	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.51 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information Eastern half of route is a County Class D route.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat7: Designation would promote safety of all users of public land by providing a managed transportation asset subject to condition assessments and an appropriate level of routine maintenance.
Rat69: Allowing administrative access to support search and rescue activities would contribute to public safety and enhance protection of identified resource values. (BLM would consider wildlife management strategies and would implement the tactics that best protect public safety and other values at risk.)

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.39 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.05 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat8: Closing the route would promote of safety of all users of public land by eliminating access to an area with known hazards where mitigation is not feasible.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

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Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Modified Date: 1/6/2021

Modified Reason: Public comment about location of portion of route in Natural Area.

Evaluators: **Brian Storm**, Archaeologist; **Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist; **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist; **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner; **Shea Owens**, Legal Council; **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner; **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director; **Whit Bunting**, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon

Length: 0.5 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low

Route Type(s) ☒ Spur

Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Origin

Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. 91D is split to separate the non-NA portion from the NA portion, 91DNA.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
SUWA	Closed	Close the portion in Natural Area.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 1/6/2021

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James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.66 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This segment split from 91D, due to location within the Natural Area.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
SUWA	Closed	Close to preserve and maintain the area's wilderness characteristics.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**
- ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**
- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat8: Closing the route would promote of safety of all users of public land by eliminating access to an area with known hazards where mitigation is not feasible.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.5 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Portions of east end of route are reclaiming.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
SUWA	Closed	Close to preserve and maintain the area's wilderness characteristics.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat8: Closing the route would promote of safety of all users of public land by eliminating access to an area with known hazards where mitigation is not feasible.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.55 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.33 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive animal species.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators:
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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.3 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

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OPEN

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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.74 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Include 2008 route 92E.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive animal species.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive animal species. Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators:
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Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.68 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Include 2008 route 92F.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.57 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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Alternative D

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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.35 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational woodcutting and camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.21 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.48 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 92K.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
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Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Modified Date: 1/6/2021

Modified Reason: Public comment regarding location of route being within Natural Area.

Evaluators: **Brian Storm**, Archaeologist; **Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist; **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist; **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner; **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director; **Lisa Church**, Wildlife Biologist; **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner; **John Reese**, Rangeland Management Specialist; **Shea Owens**, Legal Council

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.82 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Route	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
SUWA	Closed	Do not designate for motorized use. Close to preserve and maintain the area's wilderness characteristics.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation, Sign Closed

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.36 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

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Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.42 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 2.62 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route location at one point, does not match WSA boundary due to mapping errors. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife).

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Transportation Type.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by non-motorized modes (including bicycles, horses, hiking, Class I E-bike), year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat5: By eliminating public motorized access on this route, potential impacts to documented resources associated with motorized use would be reduced.
Rat101: By limiting this route to Class I E-bikes and other non-motorized modes of transportation, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, which minimizes potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat57: By restricting motorized access to the minimum necessary for administrative purposes, potential impacts on T&E species and their habitats would be reduced.
Rat33: Potential conflicts between recreation users would be minimized by eliminating the motorized uses on this route and managing it for non-motorized uses.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.12 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** High
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information County Class D. This is the WSA interior portion of 92X. Route documented 1979 603 inventory route. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Do Not Designate - Route is in WSA

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Fisheries (native)	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within WSAs, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to MSO habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Fence or barrier to natural barrier

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the typical traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat59: By providing a critical trail connection that would minimize the inclination to travel off-trail, potential impacts on T&E species and their habitats would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Condition of WSA
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within a WSA and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.E.1. (from BLM Manual 6330) in permitting "motorized and mechanized use to continue along existing routes identified in the wilderness inventory conducted in support of sections 603 and 202 of FLPMA." While these routes may continue to be used as stated, Sec. 6.5.E.1. also states that BLM will not "designate primitive road or motorized/mechanized trails"…."or classify them as assets." For this alternative, the route evaluation team will likewise not choose, to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 2.78 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Climbing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Orderville Gulch Road
Length: 1.37 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☐	☐	☒	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Modified 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Climbing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Chamberlain Ranch Rd.	
Length: 2.11 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** High	
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur			
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin				
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private		

Additional Information Portion of route is County Class B; remainder is County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. End portion forms cherrystem of LWC.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic site	☐	☒	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wild and Scenic River Corridor	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Well	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Water Resources	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Water quality issue	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to irrigation and trailhead facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with a current ROW that have already undergone NEPA analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, ROW holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to irrigation and trailhead facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with a current ROW that have already undergone NEPA analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, ROW holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to irrigation and trailhead facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with a current ROW that have already undergone NEPA analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, ROW holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.17 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**NO**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.01 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Trespass	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 1/20/2021

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Route	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. End portion forms cherrystem of LWC.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic site	☐	☒	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wild and Scenic River Corridor	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Well	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Water Resources	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Water quality issue	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Closing the route would reduce the potential for conflicts between off-road vehicle users and dispersed, non-motorized/non-mechanized forms of recreation. Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat. By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive animal species. Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics. By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability (for lands where suitability has been determined) would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to trailhead facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access. Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties. This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment. Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use. Conditional use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness character by providing reasonable, allowable access along a pre-existing route to a trailhead.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to trailhead facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access. Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties. This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment. Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the inclination for visitors to create new disturbances from cross-country use. Conditional use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness character by providing reasonable, allowable access along a pre-existing route to a trailhead.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.72 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Portion of County Class D

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements and rain gauge, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements and rain gauge, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.07 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pasture fence, gate, corral, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.15 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative C

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OPEN

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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators:
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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.85 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators: **Brian Storm**, Archaeologist; **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist; **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director; **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner; **Shea Owens**, Legal Council; **Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist; **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner; **Lisa Church**, Wildlife Biologist; **John Reese**, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.25 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
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Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pasture fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.76 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pasture fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.43 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators: **Brian Storm**, Archaeologist; **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist; **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director; **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner; **Shea Owens**, Legal Council; **Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist; **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner; **Lisa Church**, Wildlife Biologist; **John Reese**, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.37 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pasture fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

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Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist

TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Cougar Canyon	
Length: 5.16 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium	
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder	☒ Y Intersection		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin				
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private		

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Incudes portion of 2008 route 90F.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	FS Adjacent Ranger District	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

Evaluators:
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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.09 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Y Intersection	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.38 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
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- ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **NO**

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Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
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Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts to endangered or threatened species and their habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint. Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 8/31/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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TMA:	Trail Canyon			
Length: 2.15 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** High	
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder			
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin				
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class B. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Water Haul Site	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Christmas Tree Cutting - Personal Use	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Intermittent stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to State and private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes wit a current ROW that have already undergone NEPA analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, ROW holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds anticipated on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.24 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Other	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to an inactive gravel pit would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.18 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: ROW holder
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon			
Length: 1.58 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low	
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector			
Surface & Maint.	☒ Paved	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin				
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private		

Additional Information County Class B, south portion. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all

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motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes wit a current ROW that have already undergone NEPA analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, ROW holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.33 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Landowner
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.21 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.96 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Landowner
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.81 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Coal	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic site	☐	☒	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Evaluators: **Brian Storm**, Archaeologist; **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist; **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner; **Shea Owens**, Legal Council; **Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist; **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner; **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.14 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Paved ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class B, non-maintained portion.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes wit a current ROW that have already undergone NEPA analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, ROW holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes wit a current ROW that have already undergone NEPA analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, ROW holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.98 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: ROW holder
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Whit Bunting, Field Manager

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Graded Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**NO**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.14 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive animal species.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use. Rat83: By closing this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for impacts to sensitive animal species. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion. Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* *• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Evaluators: **Brian Storm**, Archaeologist; **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist; **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner; **Shea Owens**, Legal Council; **Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist; **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner; **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.53 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Water Haul Site	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to State and private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to State and private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.46 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
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Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a resource treatment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 2.09 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Other	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Route Designation:
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.04 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Other	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to State land and gravel pit and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat12: This route provides access to State land and gravel pit and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
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Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat12: This route provides access to State land and gravel pit and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.67 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class B. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes wit a current ROW that have already undergone NEPA analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, ROW holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.16 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.04 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
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Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
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Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.52 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a resource treatment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a resource treatment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.61 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.38 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 97M and portion of 2008 route 97L. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized uses (reducing the potential for harassment of wildlife) and removing the route footprint (reducing habitat fragmentation.)

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 4.09 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☒	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 1.68 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: ROW holder
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to powerline, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping
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Alternative C

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.55 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating equestrian, bicycle, and hiking use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Barriers; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Barriers; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
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Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.14 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Within State Highway 9 ROW.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat8: Management of the route is outside BLM's jurisdiction. UDOT manages transportation within this ROW.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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TMA: Trail Canyon
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Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

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Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.36 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Barriers as needed
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
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Length: 0.09 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.08 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 1.62 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed ☒ Infreq. Maintained ☒By: Permittee
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to fence, pipeline and resource treatment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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OPEN

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Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.21 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat25: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of illegal dumping and OHV use on soils and vegetation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.33 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.8 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Evaluators:
Brian Storm, Archaeologist
Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
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Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.07 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Alternative B

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Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized access from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
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Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized access from the immediate area.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.09 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.7 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.82 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.6 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pipeline, tank, trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pipeline, tank, trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.55 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal

None.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Spring Hollow Road
Length: 0.97 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	
Resource Issues	Other	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife by eliminating motorized use that can contribute to wildlife harassment and removing the route footprint, which can fragment habitat.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized access from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee, Commercial permits, private land owner) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range management, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Initiate ROW/easement negotiations
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to range improvements, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/1/2020
Evaluators:	**Brian Storm**, Archaeologist **Carson Gubler**, Rangeland Management Specialist **Ade Nelson**, Resource Planner **Shea Owens**, Legal Council	**Jason Stewart**, GIS Specialist **Dan Gunn**, Outdoor Recreation Planner **Lou Pratt**, GIS/Transportation Director	

TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Muddy Road
Length: 0.72 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land

Additional Information County Class D Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	FS Adjacent Ranger District	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Erosive soil - Moderate potential	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Shea Owens, Legal Council
Jason Stewart, GIS Specialist
Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private ☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route 99 may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat28: Closing the route would reduce the potential for conflicts between OHV use and residents of adjacent populated areas.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to State and private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and/or vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s):	Tom Folks	**Initial Evaluation Date:**	9/2/2020
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Hog Canyon Road
Length: 1.09 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County; BLM
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Recreation Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Special Status Animals	Southwestern willow flycatcher potential habitat	☐	☐	☐	☒	200 meters	
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all

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motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity for managed OHV route, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important OHV recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity for managed OHV route, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important OHV recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Carson Gubler, Rangeland Management Specialist
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Yellowjacket/Sand Dune	
Length: 13.53 miles	**Width:** Multi Lane	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** High	
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder			
Surface & Maint.	☒ Paved	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County	
Origin	☒ Constructed			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	☒ State Land	☒ State Park

Additional Information County Class B. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☒ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	BLM Adjacent FO DO or SO	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Recreation Site	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	2920 Lease/Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Exclosure Fence	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Gate	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Ranch HQ / Building	☒	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Water Haul Site	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Windmill/Well	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Recreation Facilities	Day Use Area	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Interpretive Site	☐	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Recreation Fee Area	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Staging Area	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
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Public Use Activities	Pine-nut Picking	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Rock Climbing	☐	☐	☒
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Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sledding	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Trail Running	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Dunes	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Aspen	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Special Status Animals	Monarch butterfly potential habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Non-TES raptor nest	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Welsh's milkweed (Asclepias welshii) habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
RSC	Middle Country (Semi-Primitive, Motorized)	☒					
RSC	Front Country (Roaded Natural)	☒					
RSC	Rural	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Critical Habitat Area	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Scenic Backway	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Recreation Fee Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wild and Scenic River Corridor	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Well	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Alternative C

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	Hancock Road
Length: 9.51 miles	**Width:** Multi Lane	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Paved	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin	☒ Constructed		
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class B.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☒ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Recreation Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Site	☒	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	2920 Lease/Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Gate	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Ranch HQ / Building	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Water Haul Site	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Windmill/Well	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Dunes	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Aspen	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Special Status Animals	Monarch butterfly potential habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Special Status Plants	Welsh's milkweed (Asclepias welshii) habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
RSC	Front Country (Roaded Natural)	☒					
RSC	Rural	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Critical Habitat Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Recreation Fee Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Scenic Backway	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Well	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to multiple authorized facilities and public uses, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.54 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin	☒ Ranching	☒ Constructed	
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated
This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat13: By eliminating public motorized use, the remaining traffic volume associated with authorized facility operations and maintenance would be minimal, which would reduce the potential for impacts to documented resources and facilities.
Rat11: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, which minimizes the potential for vandalism of authorized structures.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat37: Limiting motorized access on this route would minimize potential for impacts to wildlife habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat76: The route may be used to access a water resources site.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a water trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.57 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin	☒ Ranching	☒ Constructed	
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

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Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated
This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat13: By eliminating public motorized use, the remaining traffic volume associated with authorized facility operations and maintenance would be minimal, which would reduce the potential for impacts to documented resources and facilities.
Rat11: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, which minimizes the potential for vandalism of authorized structures.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat37: Limiting motorized access on this route would minimize potential for impacts to wildlife habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat76: The route may be used to access a water resources site.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a water trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☐	☒	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Rehabilitate route proliferation
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat100: Proposing inclusion of this route would provide targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Levi LeFevre, Rangeland Management Specialist
Lou Pratt, GIS/Transportation Director

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.12 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Withdrawal Public Water Reserve	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

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OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.38 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ **Reg. Maintained**	☒By: Kanab City
Origin	☒ Constructed	**Year:**	
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Well	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential conflicts between ROW and public use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Potential conflict w/ROW and public use
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
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Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

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Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Well	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential conflicts between ROW and public use.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Potential conflict w/ROW and public use
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat6: Allowing use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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James Holland, Geologist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Paul Leatherbury, GIS, GSENM

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.08 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D. This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
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Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.33 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin ☒ Recreation
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon; Sign Closed

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.14 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin ☒ Recreation
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon; Sign Closed

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat6: Allowing use of this route would minimize potential additional route proliferation by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for route connectivity in this area. Allowing use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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Alternative D

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.12 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☐	☒	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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Rat70: Route provides access to unique geologic feature without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating recreation use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat55: Allowing use of this route would minimize proliferation impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique geologic feature without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating recreation use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0013
Length: 1.68 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Non-Vegetated	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat25: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of OHV use on soils and vegetation.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Sign Closed

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to spring source and livestock/wildlife water trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat97: Designation would have minimal affect on xero-riparian resources because the route is located in a drainage that is regularly scoured by flood events, periodically eliminating all traces of previous travel.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to spring source and livestock/wildlife water trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.11 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin ☒ Mining
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0040 - Harris Mtn. Route
Length: 13 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Principal Feeder	☒ Braided	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 2008 route 40N.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☒	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Livestock Trailing	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Interpretive Site	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Invasive vegetation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to cultural resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary linked access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources. The ROW associated with this route is the determining document with regard to a designation. The Route Evaluation Process carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis during the NEPA portion of the development of a Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Evaluate the need to reconfigure
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides primary linked access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0042
Length: 3.97 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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Activities				
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Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
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VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Invasive vegetation	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0043
Length: 1.41 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides linked access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat12: This route provides linked access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0045
Length: 2.28 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 2008 route 45.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0048 - Elephant Cove Loop
Length: 2.54 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** High
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Mineral Materials Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Trail Running	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 mile	
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0057
Length: 0.83 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: ROW holder
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information ROW on west half only.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
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☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

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OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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OPEN

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0058
Length: 0.54 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: ROW holder
Origin	☒ Constructed		
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0060 - Red Knoll Road
Length: 1.5 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kane County
Origin	☒ Utility		
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class B. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☐	☐	☒	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Changes in levels of use
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Changes in levels of use
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat112: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, routes maintained under agreements with the BLM, routes with current rights-of-way that have already undergone National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis, or routes classified and maintained as official Class B roads by the State of Utah do not need to be considered for closure under any alternative. However, The fact that a route does not need to be considered for closure under a travel management plan alternative does not prevent the BLM from further evaluating any route in a more detailed manner and working with permittees, rights-of-way holders, counties, and other stakeholders as needed to develop potential solutions to minimize any known resource impacts or user conflicts in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Changes in levels of use
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0061
Length: 5.3 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin	☒ Constructed		
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 2008 route 61T

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility Corridor	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Dunes	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0062
Length: 5.01 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Incudes 2008 route 62U.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Withdrawal Public Water Reserve	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Other	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Dunes	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0063
Length: 1.9 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0064
Length: 1.57 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kanab City
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 2008 route 64S.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Well	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential conflicts between ROW and public use.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Potential conflict w/ROW and public use
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0065
Length: 0.71 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Incudes 2008 route 62U.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Other	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pasture Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0066
Length: 1.08 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D. Includes 2008 route 66B.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Dunes	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

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OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP048A
Length: 0.3 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Cultural Resources	Historic road (i.e. GLO roads)	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Steep slopes	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a vista, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
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Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP057A
Length: 0.8 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information ROW on north end only.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to an exceptional vista location without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources. The ROW associated with this route is the determining document with regard to a designation. The Route Evaluation Process carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis during the NEPA portion of the development of a Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to an exceptional vista location without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources. The ROW associated with this route is the determining document with regard to a designation. The Route Evaluation Process carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis during the NEPA portion of the development of a Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to an exceptional vista location without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources. The ROW associated with this route is the determining document with regard to a designation. The Route Evaluation Process carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis during the NEPA portion of the development of a Travel Management Plan.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP060A
Length: 1.85 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
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Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061A
Length: 0.31 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information Within Highway 89 ROW.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Other	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Public safety issue	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat8: Management of the route is outside BLM's jurisdiction. UDOT manages transportation within this ROW.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides access to a wood cutting area and allotment fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061C
Length: 0.18 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061D
Length: 0.04 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C	
	Comprehensive Designation: CLOSED This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area. **OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** **Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:** • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability. • 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats. **How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:** Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use. Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route. Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land. Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion. **Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:** *(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)* • *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)* **Closure Method:** Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
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Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061E
Length: 1.24 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to wood cutting, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061F
Length: 0.12 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061G
Length: 0.3 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

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Alternative C

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061H
Length: 0.22 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Activities				
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Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061J
Length: 0.12 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP061L
Length: 0.2 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062M
Length: 1.61 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information County Class D, portion. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062MC
Length: 0.69 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **YES**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route 62M may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Closure Method: Sign Closed; Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062N
Length: 1.99 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State and/or private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062P
Length: 2.07 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Developed Wildlife Water	☐	☐	☒	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062Q
Length: 0.22 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Sign Closed; Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to livestock grazing facilities, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to a variety of recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted ERMA recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating recreation use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to a variety of recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted ERMA recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating recreation use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062R
Length: 0.33 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062T
Length: 0.11 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat52: Closing this route could reduce the potential for impacts to sites of tribal significance by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat52: Closing this route could reduce the potential for impacts to sites of tribal significance by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062V
Length: 0.1 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP062W
Length: 0.11 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Withdrawal Public Water Reserve	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Spring Development	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Riparian	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Spring	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat38: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat49: By eliminating public motorized access to a spring source and limiting access to infrequent administrative use, the potential for impacts to water quality and quantity would be reduced.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to Mace Spring would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP063A
Length: 0.16 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: **YES**

- ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?
- ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?
- ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?
- ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?
- ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?

Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws? **NO**

Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: **YES**

- ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?
- ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?
- ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?
- ☒ any other resources of concern?

Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated? **YES**

Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources? **YES**

Route 63 may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Mark Boshell, Legal Council

TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP063B
Length: 0.03 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route has low use and a portion is reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon; Sign Closed

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP063C
Length: 0.09 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**NO**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities
None

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP063D
Length: 0.39 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Rehabilitate route proliferation
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to recreational camping without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP063E
Length: 0.08 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP063F
Length: 0.14 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP063H
Length: 0.67 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Salt Lick	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Water Haul Site	☒	☐	☐	
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☐	☒	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☐	☒	☐

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat76: The route may be used to access a water resources site.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a water trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064A
Length: 0.14 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064B
Length: 0.3 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
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Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat26: Continued use of this route would minimize conflicts among various users of public land by providing access to other public land areas beyond the urban interface, reducing user concentrations and the potential for impacts to documented resources within the urban interface.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Litter/vandalism cleanup
Monitoring: Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Litter/vandalism cleanup
Monitoring: Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064C
Length: 0.21 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize proliferation impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique geologic feature without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064D
Length: 0.1 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
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☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**YES**
Route 64C may meet the various needs of this route while minimizing impacts or cumulative effects.	

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
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Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Vandalism	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064E
Length: 0.82 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064F
Length: 0.08 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064G
Length: 0.21 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064H
Length: 0.18 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064J
Length: 2.66 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064K
Length: 0.29 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064L
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Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064M
Length: 0.14 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Recreational Uses

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This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064N
Length: 0.84 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin	☒ Ranching	☒ Constructed	
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
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Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064P
Length: 0.27 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064Q
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Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

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Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064R
Length: 0.1 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: Kanab City
Origin	☒ Utility	☒ Constructed	Year:
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Water Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Well	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 1 - Very low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize conflicts between off-road vehicle use and other existing or proposed recreational uses of the same or neighboring public lands, and to ensure the compatibility of such uses with existing conditions in populated areas, taking into account noise and other factors.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential conflicts between ROW and public use.
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: Potential conflict w/ROW and public use
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064T
Length: 0.29 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Non-Existent
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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None.		

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064U
Length: 0.21 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route:	**YES**
☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency?	
☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility?	
☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region?	
☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance?	
☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact:	**YES**
☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat?	
☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments?	
☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments?	
☒ any other resources of concern?	
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064W
Length: 0.2 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information Includes 2008 route 64V.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative C

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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064X
Length: 0.51 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP064Z
Length: 0.05 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
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Route Designation:
Open

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP065B
Length: 1.37 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP065D
Length: 0.61 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Loop		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information Abandoned alignment TC0001.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat70: Route provides access to camping opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP61HS
Length: 0.06 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur	☒ Loop	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to unique and/or exceptional recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP61LC
Length: 0.17 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Reclaiming
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
None				

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

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Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat18: Access to mining claims would be handled at the time of notice.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☐	☒
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Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
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Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒
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Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is experiencing very low use and beginning to reclaim naturally, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat84: Because this route is experiencing very low use and beginning to reclaim naturally, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.
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Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP65A
Length: 2.15 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information County Class D.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒

Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☐	☒

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Invasive vegetation	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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TMA:	Trail Canyon	**Route Name:**	RMP0044
Length: 1.22 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: Permittee
Origin	☒ Ranching		
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM		

Additional Information None.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☐ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Cattleguard	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Mining claim	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Water Resources	Well	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Open

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat95: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to active mining claims for maintenance and exploration, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat60: By providing opportunities for visitors to disperse over a greater area rather than concentrating use, potential impacts on wildlife species and their habitats would be reduced.
Rat47: By providing a well-managed route that reduces the inclination to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.75 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information Connects with 43E. This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☐	☒
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat2: The low traffic volume and low speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to monitoring site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Alternative D

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.34 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Cultural Resources	Cultural resource (eligible)	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a pipeline and tank, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a pipeline and tank, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.33 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated
This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
LIMITED

Comprehensive Designation Type:
Limited to Administrative Users, Authorized Users.

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: The following users are currently authorized users: (ranch allottee) may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed** - The public may not use motorized vehicles on this route, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat11: By limiting motorized access on this route, traffic volume in the area would be reduced, which minimizes the potential for vandalism of authorized structures.
Rat4: By limiting access on this route to only administrative and/or permitted use, the potential for impacts to documented resources would be reduced, due to traffic volume, low speeds and no public motorized use.
Rat13: By eliminating public motorized use, the remaining traffic volume associated with authorized facility operations and maintenance would be minimal, which would reduce the potential for impacts to documented resources and facilities.
Rat37: Limiting motorized access on this route would minimize potential for impacts to wildlife habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
John Reese, Rangeland Management Specialist
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.32 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information County Class D. This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Rat12: This route provides primary access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.26 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☐ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated
This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access for challenging OHV opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access for challenging OHV opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.85 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming, officially closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by eliminating motorized use.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat12: This route provides alternate access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Corral	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
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Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
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Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	WSA - Wilderness Study Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, trough, tank, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; WSA boundary barriers
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, trough, tank, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; WSA boundary barriers
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to corral, trough, tank, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat56: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; WSA boundary barriers
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.38 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ State Land

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☐	☐	☒	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☐	☐	☒	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat1: This route is important for network connectivity, serving commercial and recreation users in this area. Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by providing a common access into or across the area on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat7: Designation would promote safety of all users of public land by providing a managed transportation asset subject to condition assessments and an appropriate level of routine maintenance.
Rat100: Constructing this route would provide targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.28 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Rock Crawling	☒	☐	☐

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Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing targeted recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat50: Due to the low traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Dan Gunn, Outdoor Recreation Planner
Shea Owens, Legal Council

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.75 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.18 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

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OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover, minimizing the potential for soil erosion.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 7/20/2020

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.19 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a corral and fence, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.22 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
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Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☐ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	ROW - Telephone / Comm Site	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

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Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

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Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat48: By providing access on this less sensitive route, the potential for impacts to adjacent wildlife habitat would be reduced.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat2: The traffic volume and speeds that characterize the overall use of this route would reduce the potential for continued use of the route to impact documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat55: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

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Origin
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Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	BLM Adjacent FO DO or SO	☐	☒	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Cultural / Historical Viewing	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.88 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pond/Dam/Reservoir	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Photography	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Pond	☐	☐	☐	☒	100 meters	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Noxious weeds	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence and ponds, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Relocate all or part of route to avoid sensitive resources, Close route south of ponds; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence and ponds, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to allotment fence and ponds, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat34: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment and/or vegetative damage.
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.63 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** High
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Important route providing safe ascent/descent alternate route to more difficult segment of 2008 route 48.
Proposed New Route - Post-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☒	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities on Elephant Cove Loop without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Consider cattleguard in fence; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
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Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Signing - Directional
Mitigation: Consider cattleguard in fence; Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.8 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Portion is wilderness inventory road.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.
Rat42: Closing this route would eliminate motorized use, minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife by such use.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to resource treatment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to resource treatment, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist
James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.84 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Route **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur ☒ Loop
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Woodcutting	☐	☒	☐

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Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Wildlife Migration Corridor	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat110: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to consider at least one proposed alternative route network that would not designate for ORV use any route where BLM has determined that such use may "damage" BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.
Rat40: Closing this route would minimize potential impacts to wildlife habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with natural reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat109: For purposes of minimizing damage to public lands with BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics in the evaluation of this route, BLM considered the potential for damage to wilderness characteristics, including naturalness, outstanding opportunities for solitude, and outstanding opportunities for primitive and unconfined recreation, for each alternative route network.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to undocumented cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat44: Due to the low traffic volume and low speeds expected, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for causing soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.54 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to endangered or threatened habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.2 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information

This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. The 2008 planning team was unaware of the existence of this route at the time the Natural Area was designated in the RMP. Post 2008 'discovery' of the route and subsequent application of 'road' criteria, as described in the Wilderness Inventory Handbook revealed the route to qualify as a 'wilderness inventory road.' While this would normally establish the boundary of an inventory unit and/or a natural area, the status of this route was determined after Natural Area designation and as such, the Natural Area contains not a 'primitive route', but a 'wilderness inventory road', which does not change the boundary of the Natural Area at this time. Only an Act of Congress (wilderness designation) or an amendment to the RMP can make changes to the Natural Area boundary. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Do Not Designate - Route is in Natural Area
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

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Route Designation:
Undesignated
This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to endangered or threatened habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.67 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☐	☐	☒	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☐	☐	☒	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to endangered or threatened habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat80: Closing this route minimizes the potential for route proliferation on public land.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.13 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Wild Inv Road **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed

Additional Information

This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. The 2008 planning team was unaware of the existence of this route at the time the Natural Area was designated in the RMP. Post 2008 'discovery' of the route and subsequent application of 'road' criteria, as described in the Wilderness Inventory Handbook revealed the route to qualify as a 'wilderness inventory road.' While this would normally establish the boundary of an inventory unit and/or a natural area, the status of this route was determined after Natural Area designation and as such, the Natural Area contains not a 'primitive route', but a 'wilderness inventory road', which does not change the boundary of the Natural Area at this time. Only an Act of Congress (wilderness designation) or an amendment to the RMP can make changes to the Natural Area boundary.
Do Not Designate - Route is in Natural Area
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

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General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Monitoring Site	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Area Closed to Firewood Collection	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Exclusion Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Utility/ROW Avoidance Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☐	☒
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☐	☐	☒	☐		
VRM	VRM Class I - Preserve existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Route proliferation	☐	☒	☐	☐		

***Note:** Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

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Route Designation:
Undesignated
This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat107: Per the Settlement, BLM is directed to analyze, within Natural Areas, at least one alternative route network that would enhance BLM-inventoried wilderness characteristics by designating the routes or the relevant portions thereof as closed to ORV use.
Rat67: By closing the route, the potential for future impacts to documented wilderness character and impairment of wilderness suitability would be minimized while wilderness characteristics of naturalness and opportunities for solitude would be enhanced.
Rat39: Closing this route would enhance wildlife habitat by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat51: Closing this route could minimize the potential for impacts to cultural sites by eliminating motorized uses from the immediate area.
Rat45: Closing the route would reduce the potential for impacts to endangered or threatened habitats by eliminating motorized use and removing the route footprint.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

Potential Management Actions:
Monitoring: WSA; Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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	Memo(s): An interdisciplinary team evaluated this route within an RMP-designated Natural Area and concluded that its presence within the area supports the management emphasis of this alterative and meets the intent of BLM Manual 1626, Sec. 6.5.F.1. (from BLM Manual 6320) in allowing such routes to be "…identified in the transportation inventory as a motorized/mechanized 'primitive route'" but not formally "designated as an Open or Limited primitive road or motorized/mechanized trail." As such, it would remain available for public motorized use in the Natural Area. For this alternative, the route evaluation team also chooses not to 1) designate this route as a "non-motorized and non-mechanized trail" or 2) to "Close the route to motorized/mechanized use." This route alternative will therefore not be part of the current travel management decision package but will be displayed on maps only as a 'primitive route'.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d) Areas and trails shall not be located in officially designated wilderness areas or primitive areas. Areas and trails shall be located in natural areas only if the authorized officer determines that off-road vehicle use in such locations will not adversely affect their natural, esthetic, scenic, or other values for which such areas are established.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat61: Continued use of this primitive route would minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics by providing reasonable access to these lands on a pre-existing route, reducing the potential for new disturbances from cross-country use.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides primary access to State land and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)

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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.12 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Commercial Rec Permit	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Pipeline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Tank/Trough	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Grasslands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to pipeline and trough, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.56 miles	**Width:** Graded Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Y Intersection	
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Infreq. Maintained	☒By: ROW holder
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ Private	

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was missed and provides a purpose and need that has been recognized prior the 2008 plan with NEPA documentation for ROW. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Road	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	2WD vehicle	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Snowmobile	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Photography	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	Lands w/ Wilderness Character	☐	☐	☐	☒	1 foot	

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat17: The ROW for this route is the determining document with regard to a route designation. The REP carries forward the ROW decision and the data is used for cumulative effects analysis in the NEPA process for the Travel Management Plan.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat50: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption, wildlife harassment, vegetative damage and impacts to cultural resources.
Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat59: Providing a critical route connection would minimize the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, which would reduce the potential for travel-related impacts on T&E species and their habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/1/2020

Evaluators:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.15 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information County Class D. This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Gate	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
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Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.38 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	
Mineral Facilities	Other	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to an inactive gravel pit would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat77: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to an inactive gravel pit would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country travel or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to private property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

Evaluators:
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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Lisa Church, Wildlife Biologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.66 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Water Haul Site	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to a water haul site, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.73 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM ☒ Private

Additional Information County Class D. This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Private Lands	☐	☒	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
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Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☒	☐	☐

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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class III - Partially retain existing char.	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Ephemeral stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 5 - Very high	☒	☐	☐	☐		

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Alternative B

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Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat56: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing its continued use would contribute to minimizing the overall route network's potential for contributing to soil erosion, habitat disruption and vegetative damage.
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 9/2/2020

Evaluators:
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TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.49 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Low
Route Type(s) ☒ Spur
Surface & Maint. ☒ Bladed
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information County Class D. This route is proposed as an addition to the 2008 inventory because it was either missed or provides a purpose and need that has been recognized since the 2008 plan. Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☒ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☐ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Agency Facilities	Resource Treatment	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	Timber/Woodland Product/Seed Sales Area	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	R.S. 2477 claim	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Grasslands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater soil erosion.
Rat84: Because this route is reclaimed or currently reclaiming naturally, closing the route will contribute to minimizing potential impacts to documented resources by officially eliminating motorized use.
Rat41: Closing this route would enhance wildlife movement by reducing fragmentation of habitats.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Natural rehabilitation

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat29: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize the potential for impacts to documented resources by providing specific recreation activity and experience opportunities that reduce or eliminate the inclination for users to travel off-route.
Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat96: Designation would protect resources by concentrating motorized use on an established route with fewer resource issues.
Rat113: Per IM No. UT 2012-066, all routes with an acknowledged or documented purpose and need should be proposed for an open designation under at least one alternative. This includes all Class D Roads recognized by the State of Utah and submitted by local counties.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 1/5/2021

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.11 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: BLM
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM. IDT met on 11/18/2020 to evaluate this route. The findings were recorded in the ARS software 11/23/2020.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Agency Facilities	Recreation Site	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☒	☐	☐	
Range Facilities	Allotment Fence	☒	☐	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class IV - Major Modification	☒					
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to trailhead parking and water resource structure, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

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Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

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Rat10: Allowing continued use of this existing route, which provides the best access to trailhead parking and water resource structure, would minimize the potential for new disturbances to documented resources from cross-country use or the need for construction of new routes to provide similar access.
Rat12: This route provides access to State property and its use may or may not minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 1/5/2021

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TMA:	Trail Canyon			
Length: 0.18 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium	
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur		
Surface & Maint.	☒ Graveled	☒ Bladed	☒ Reg. Maintained	☒By: BLM; ATV Club
Origin				
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM			

Additional Information IDT met on 11/18/2020 to evaluate this route. The findings were recorded in the ARS software 11/23/2020.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network. A portion has had NEPA done to improve.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Developed	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

('Primary access' are the main uses on the route by the public. 'Secondary uses', while common, are not the main use on the route. Infrequent uses are uses that are rare on this route, but have been observed.)

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Harden stream crossing, Consider feasibility to accommodate various modes.
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Maintenance: Harden stream crossing, Consider feasibility to accommodate various modes.
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

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TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.23 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Primitive Roads	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	☒ Braided
Surface & Maint.	☒ Bladed		
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ State Land	

Additional Information IDT met on 11/18/2020 to evaluate this route. The findings were recorded in the ARS software 11/23/2020. Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	State Lands or Park	☒	☐	☐	
Jurisdictional Access	SITLA	☒	☐	☐	
Lease Facilities	ROW - Powerline	☐	☒	☐	

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Sagebrush Steppe	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat25: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of illegal dumping and OHV use on soils and vegetation.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater impacts to riparian resources.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon, Sign Closed

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Facilitator(s): Tom Folks **Initial Evaluation Date:** 1/5/2021

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James Holland, Geologist

TMA: Trail Canyon
Length: 0.05 miles **Width:** Dual Track **Class:** Primitive Roads **Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s) ☒ Connector
Surface & Maint.
Origin
Jurisdictions: ☒ BLM

Additional Information IDT met on 11/18/2020 to evaluate this route. The findings were recorded in the ARS software 11/23/2020.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
None.		

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☒ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
None					

('Primary access' is the main route into a jurisdiction or facility. 'Alternate access', while leading directly to a jurisdiction or facility, it is not the main access and therefore may not be as important as a primary. 'Link access' does not lead directly to a jurisdiction or facility, but would be required to access a primary access.)

Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Bicycle	☐	☒	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Bicycling / Mountain Biking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Equestrian	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Sightseeing	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Wildlife Watching	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
This route is in, leads to, crosses or is proximate to the natural and/or cultural resources and resource concerns listed below.

Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Riparian/Wetlands	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer crucial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Desert bighorn sheep crucial year-long habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	SRMA - Special Recreation Management Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Water Resources	Perennial stream	☐	☒	☐	☐		
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 2 - Low	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☐	☒	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

This route was not addressed in previous planning or NEPA processes.

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
CLOSED
This route will be decommissioned and not managed as a BLM transportation asset. Unless otherwise signed, cross-country foot and animal use is allowed in the area.

OHV Public: Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Closed

Specific Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (b) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize harassment of wildlife or significant disruption of wildlife habitats. Special attention will be given to protect endangered or threatened species and their habitats.

How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat25: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of illegal dumping and OHV use on soils and vegetation.
Rat24: Closing this route, along with reclamation, would reduce visual contrast created by the route.
Rat35: Closing this route would contribute to retaining or restoring vegetation and soil cover by eliminating motorized use, thereby minimizing the potential for greater impacts to riparian resources.
Rat36: Closing this route would reduce overall impact of vehicle use and route footprint in the area.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)*
• *43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)*

Closure Method: Obscure with local materials to visual horizon, Sign Closed

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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How Designation Addresses Criteria Above:
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
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Rat6: Allowing continued use of this route would minimize potential impacts to documented resources by concentrating motorized use (rather than dispersing it) on an alignment capable of accommodating the route's anticipated traffic volume.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

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Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
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• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory
Monitoring: Route proliferation; Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Ade Nelson, Resource Planner
Brandon Johnson, Realty Specialist
James Holland, Geologist

TMA:	Trail Canyon		
Length: 0.11 miles	**Width:** Dual Track	**Class:** Wild Inv Road	**Use Level:** Medium
Route Type(s)	☒ Connector	☒ Spur	
Surface & Maint.			
Origin			
Jurisdictions:	☒ BLM	☒ NPS	

Additional Information Route designation applies only to those portions of the route located on public lands managed by BLM.
Proposed New Route - Pre-2008 route to consider for addition to route network.

Citizen Comments and Proposals

Author	Designation	Comment or Proposal
SUWA	Open	SUWA GIS; part of their proposed route network.

General Evaluation Questions

Does this route: ☐ either wholly or in part, have a right-of-way grant or is it simply an officially-recognized route with a record of management by another government agency? ☒ provide commercial, private property, or administrative access, e.g., via permit, ingress/egress rights or management responsibility? ☐ provide a principal means of connectivity within a Travel Management Area or sub-region? ☒ exist as part of an officially recognized part of an Agency planning document and is subject to maintenance? ☐ provide an important linkage between Travel Management Areas or planning sub-regions?	**YES**
Does this route contribute to recreational opportunities, route network connectivity, public safety, or other public multi-use access opportunities enumerated in agency Organic laws?	**YES**
Might the continued use of this route potentially impact: ☒ State or Federal special status species or their habitat? ☒ cultural or any other specially-protected resources or objects identified by Agency planning documents, plan amendments? ☒ any special area designations, e.g., National Monuments? ☒ any other resources of concern?	**YES**
Can the anticipated potential impacts to the identified resources be avoided, minimized, i.e., reduced to acceptable levels, or be mitigated?	**YES**
Can the commercial, private property, recreation or public uses of this route be adequately met by another route or routes that may minimize impacts to the resources identified as part of this evaluation or that may minimize cumulative effects on various other resources?	**NO**

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Evaluation Information

Commercial, Administrative, Property and Economics

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides important access to the following facilities and/or jurisdictions shown below for the purpose of carrying out administrative and/or authorized operations or for property access where applicable.

Facilities & Access	Specifically	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Jurisdictional Access	Other	☐	☒	☐	
Range Facilities	Active Allotment	☐	☒	☐	

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Recreational Uses

Route Management Objective(s) identify the purpose and need of the route:
This route provides public access to the following facilities using the listed travel modes for the purposes of engaging in the listed recreation activities.

Facilities	Description	Primary	Alternate	Link	Memo
Recreation Facilities	Campsite - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Vista	☐	☐	☒	
Recreation Facilities	Trailhead	☒	☐	☐	
Recreation Facilities	Parking Area - Undeveloped	☒	☐	☐	

Travel Modes	Description	Primary	Secondary	Infreq
Modes of Transportation	Stock 4 Wheel Drive	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	UTV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	ATV	☒	☐	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Horse	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	Motorcycle	☐	☒	☐
Modes of Transportation	By Foot	☒	☐	☐
Activities				
Public Use Activities	Antler Shed Hunting	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hunting	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Camping	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Canyoneering	☒	☐	☐
Public Use Activities	Vehicle Exploring	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Backpacking	☐	☒	☐
Public Use Activities	Hiking	☒	☐	☐

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Special Resource Concerns

Resources Evaluated:
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Resource/Concern	Specifically	In	LeadsTo	Crosses	Prox	Dist	Memo
Biome	Pinyon-Juniper Woodland	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Biome	Ponderosa Pine	☐	☐	☒	☐		
Biome	Oak & Mountain Shrub	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Migratory bird habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Mule deer fawning habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Elk habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Turkey/Quail habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Managed Species	Black bear year-long substantial habitat	☒	☐	☐	☐		
VRM	VRM Class II - Retain existing character	☒					
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	ERMA - Extensive Recreation Management Area	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Sp. Mgnt. Areas	Natural Area	☐	☐	☐	☒	1/4 Mile	
Misc. Resources	PFYC Class 3 - Moderate	☒	☐	☐	☐		
Resource Issues	Dumping / Littering	☒	☐	☐	☐		

Note: *Specific sensitive resources, such as cultural or paleontological resources or Threaten or Endangered Species that may potentially be affected by this route are not listed in this report for their protection. These resources will be analyzed in the NEPA process included in the planning process of route designation.*

Potential Alternative Route Designations

Alternative A (Current Management, No Action Alternative)

Area Designation:
Limited to Designated Routes

Route Designation:
Undesignated

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Alternative B

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Consider feasibility of facilities
Monitoring: Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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Alternative C

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
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Potential Management Actions:
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Alternative D

Comprehensive Designation:
OPEN W/ MANAGEMENT

Specific designations by user type:

Administrative/Official Users: All Federal, State and Local agencies may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Authorized/Permitted Users: Currently authorized users may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.
Additional users may be authorized by the BLM through future authorizations.

Non-motorized Public: The public may use this route by all non-motorized modes, year-round.

OHV Public: **Designation per 43 CFR § 8342.1: Open** - The public may use this route by all motorized modes, year-round.

Designation Criteria Addressed and Relevant to Route Issues:
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (a) Areas and trails shall be located to minimize damage to soil, watershed, vegetation, air, or other resources of the public lands, and to prevent impairment of wilderness suitability.
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Rat3: This route serves the purpose and need identified during the IDT route evaluation session. Relocation to eliminate route-related impacts would likely create greater impacts to documented resources than application of appropriate mitigation or management of the existing alignment.
Rat9: Continued use of this route with the added application of specific management prescriptions, would minimize potential impacts to documented resources.
Rat70: Route provides access to important recreational activity opportunities without causing greater than minimal adverse effects on documented resources.
Rat47: By providing a managed route that reduces the inclination for visitors to travel off-trail, the potential for damage to wildlife habitats would be minimized.
Rat44: Due to the traffic volume and speeds expected on this route, allowing continued use of this route would contribute to the overall route network minimizing the potential for harassment of wildlife.

Designation Criteria Addressed but Not Relevant to Route Issues:
(no known conflicts among users or no known resource concerns to minimize for)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (c)
• 43 CFR § 8342.1 (d)

Potential Management Actions:
Mitigation: Signing - Regulatory; Consider feasibility of facilities
Monitoring: Litter / Dumping
Potential management actions may be incorporated with an overall monitoring strategy that would assess the status and/or integrity of the potentially impacted sensitive resource or resource issues identified as they relate to various external factors, e.g., climate cycles, exotic species introduction, visitor use levels (type, intensity, and season of use), etc. Monitoring data that indicate a decline in resource integrity or reveal methods of mitigation that proved to be unsuccessful would then trigger adaptive and appropriate responses aimed at restoring integrity or successfully mitigating undesirable conditions.

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