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Rico West Dolores Roads and Trails Project

I support the shortest open season consideration. It will preserve trails, minimize disruption during spring elk calving and rearing , and bring quiet to most of the fall season for hunters and trail users.

While alternative E is the best option, I suggest the following trails should also be non motorized. Burnett Creek, Calico Trail, Rough Canyon, and Eagle Peak.

User conflict amongst trail users is a serious issue in the region under consideration, where quiet users have already been displaced from motorized trails. The motorized users create more impacts due to noise, emissions, trail erosion, ect. Quiet users, making up the vast majority of trail users, deserve a high quality recreational experience within a trail system that is primarily quiet use trails. Please honor quiet use priorities of the Rico/West Dolores Travel Management Area. Thank you!

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