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Dear Mr. Coombs:

On June 20, 2011, we received your appeal of Forest Supervisor Scott Fitzwilliams' March 17, 2011 Record of Decision for the White River National Forest Travel Management Plan. The appeal was filed on behalf of the Fryingpan Valley Caucus. Your letter had been misplaced during our review of the appeals.

The legal notice initiating the appeal period for the decision was published in the Glenwood Springs Post Independent on May 4, 2011, and the appeal filing period closed on June 20, 2011. Your appeal was submitted in a timely fashion under the provisions of 36 CFR § 215.6. It has been processed under the provisions of 36 CFR § 215 and assigned control number 11-02-00-0053 (215).

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 215.18(b)(2), an appeal decision is not being issued. Forest Supervisor Fitzwilliams' decision constitutes the final agency action of the Department of Agriculture (36 CFR 215.15(e)(3)).

We appreciate your interest in this planning project and hope that you are able to resolve your concerns through further discussions with Forest Supervisor Fitzwilliams. I understand the Fryingpan Valley Caucus has been working with the White River National Forest this summer to come up with solutions to the issues that you raised concerning mixed use on the roads identified in your letter.

Any questions related to the Forest Service appeal process may be directed to Cindy Dean, Acting Regional Appeals Coordinator at 303-275-5470 or cdean@fs.fed.us.

Sincerely,

/s/ Glenn Casamassa

GLENN CASAMASSA
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