Rocky Mountain Region



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To: Rocky Mountain Region Forest Supervisors: Arapaho-Roosevelt, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison, Medicine-Bow and Routt, Pike and San Isabel, Rio Grande, San Juan, Shoshone and White River National Forests; Northern Region, Regional Forester, Forest Supervisors: Beaverhead-Deerlodge, Bitterroot, Custer-Gallatin, Flathead, Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forests; Southwestern Region, Regional Forester, Forest Supervisors: Carson, Cibola, Gila and Santa Fe National Forests; Intermountain Region, Regional Forester, Forest Supervisors: Salmon-Challis, Bridger-Teton, and Caribou-Targhee National Forests.

Thank you to all who submitted project proposals for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Continental Divide National Scenic Trail (CDT) funding! We received \$1.8 million of requests from 16 CDT forests, with an estimated \$1.1 million available for project funding. This letter serves as the official notification of which projects are preliminarily selected for FY 2018 CDT earmark funding (see Attachment A). Final project funding may be adjusted if the final Agency trails budget is higher or lower than anticipated.

As we progress into FY 2018, please notify the CDT Administrator if your unit is unable to implement any of the priority projects identified in Attachment A. They will work with you to determine if the funds should be redirected to another CDT project on your unit or elsewhere along the trail.

Each forest will also receive CDT General Administration and Maintenance funding as shown in Attachment A. Improving data quality will continue to be a CDT program priority for FY 2018. Consequently, CDT forests are to prioritize use of these funds to ensure accurate CDT data is populated in both INFRA and GIS.

Thank you again for taking the time to submit quality proposals, and for your dedication to completing and maintaining the CDT. Please contact Brenda Yankoviak, CDT Administrator, at (303)275-5322, or <u>byankoviak@fs.fed.us</u>, or Jason Robertson, Deputy Director of Recreation, Lands, Minerals and Volunteers, at (303)275-5470, or jasondrobertson@fs.fed.us, about the process or selected projects.

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Enclosure

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Attachment A: Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 CDT Selected Project and General Maintenance Funds

The following table identifies projects selected for FY 2018 CDT funding and the annual CDT maintenance funds for each forest. Forests will be asked to report CDT accomplishments with these funds at the end of FY 2018

CDT Unit and Project Name	FY18 CDT Funding
R1-Beaverhead-Deerlodge	\$105,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$15,000
*CDNST Reconstruction/Heavy Maintenance- (forest-wide)	\$60,000
CDT Trail, Trailhead, and Interpretive Signing (forest-wide)	\$30,000
R1-Bitterroot	\$5,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
R1-Custer/Gallatin	\$5,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
R1-Flathead	\$35,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
*Strawberry Creek Heavy Maintenance (Spotted Bear RD)	\$30,000
R1-Lewis & Clark/Helena	\$119,500
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000
*Heavy Deferred Maintenance and Trail Clearing (forest-wide)	\$30,000
Heavy Deferred Maintenance and Trail Clearing (Helena RD)	\$35,000
Stemple North - Road to Trail Conversion (Lincoln RD)	\$25,000
Wall Trail 175 Heavy Maintenance (Rocky Mtn RD)	\$13,500
Trail 147 Heavy Maintenance- Blue Lake area (Rocky Mtn RD)	\$6,000
R2-Arapaho-Roosevelt	\$10,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000
R2-GMUG	\$112,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
Prospector Gulch Trail Construction - Year 3	\$107,000
R2-Medicine Bow-Routt	\$15,500
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
Seedhouse Area Re-route Planning (HPBE RD)	\$10,500
R2-Pike San Isabel	\$65,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
Hancock/Alpine Tunnel Construction (Salida RD)	\$60,000
R2-Rio Grande	\$88,000

CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000
CDT Spruce Beetle Impact Maintenance and Repair Phase 3 (Conejos Peak RD)	\$48,000
*Rapid Assessment Results Implementation (Divide RD)	\$30,000
R2-San Juan	\$70,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
*CDT Reconstruction at Gunsight Pass (Columbine RD)	\$30,000
Spruce Beetle Mitigation and Maintenance (Pagosa RD)	\$9,000
Rapid Assessment Results Implementation (Pagosa RD)	\$26,000
R2-Shoshone	\$35,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
Brooks Lake Re-route Planning and Construction (Wind River RD)	\$30,000
R2-White River	\$24,500
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
Gold Hill Trail Construction and Planning (Dillon RD)	\$19,500
R3-Carson	\$85,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
Mesa de Las Viejas Reconstruction (Canjilon RD)	\$10,000
*Beetle kill mitigation and maintenance (Canjilon RD)	\$70,000
R3- Cibola	\$5,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
R3-Gila	\$98,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000
*Fisherman's Bluff reconstruction and maintenance (Black Range RD)	\$35,000
Bear Mountain Reroute Construction (Silver City RD)	\$53,000
R3- Santa Fe	\$5,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5 <i>,</i> 000
R4-Bridger-Teton	\$131,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000
CDT Relocation Planning- BTNF-SNF (Black Rock RD)	\$35,000
Bear Cub Pass/South Buffalo Fork Heavy Maintenance (Black Rock RD)	\$26,000
Bridger Wilderness -Green River Lakes to Fremont Crossing Trail Reconstruction (Pinedale RD)	\$60,000
R4-Caribou-Targhee	\$93,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
Black Canyon Reroute Construction (Ashton/Island Park RD)	\$57,000

Table Mountain Reroute Construction (Dubois RD)	\$25,000
Dry Creek and Keg Springs TRACS Survey and CDT Maintenance (Dubois,	
Ashton/Island Park RDs)	\$6,000
R4-Salmon-Challis	\$27,000
CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000
South Fork Sheep Creek Trail Realignment (North Fork RD)	\$22,000
Grand Total	\$1,133,500

* These projects are awarded partial funding. Please notify the CDT Administrator immediately if the project is not viable at this funding amount.