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Fiscal Year 2019 Continental Divide National Scenic Trail Projects Selection

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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) 2019 and 2020 Continental Divide National Scenic Trail (CDT) funding! We received \$3.5 million of requests, with an estimated \$2.3 million available for project funding over the next two years. This letter serves as the official notification to those Forest Service units whose projects are preliminarily selected for FY 2019 and 2020 CDT earmark funding (see Attachment A). Final project funding may be adjusted if the final budget comes in higher or lower than anticipated.

Forest CDT allocations are to be used for the projects identified in Attachment A and as described on the CDT Sharepoint Site: <a href="https://ems-team.usda.gov/sites/fs-r02-cdnst/layouts/15/start.aspx#/Lists/Project%20Proposal/AllItems.aspx">https://ems-team.usda.gov/sites/fs-r02-cdnst/layouts/15/start.aspx#/Lists/Project%20Proposal/AllItems.aspx</a>.

As we progress into FY 2019, please notify the CDT Administrator if your unit is unable to implement any of these priority projects. The Administrator will work with you to determine if the funds should be redirected to another CDT project on your unit or a higher priority project elsewhere along the trail.

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, Continental Divide National Scenic Trail Administrator, at (303)275-5322 or <a href="mailto:byankoviak@fs.fed.us">byankoviak@fs.fed.us</a> if you see any errors or have questions about the process or selected projects.

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## Attachment A: Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 and FY 2020 CDT Selected Projects and General Maintenance Funds

The following table identifies projects selected for FY 2019 CDT funding and the annual CDT maintenance funds for each forest. Please note the addition of project numbers this year. Forests will be asked to report CDT accomplishments with these funds, using the assigned project number, at the end of FY 2019.

Forest Name	Fiscal Year	Project Number	Project Name	FY19 CDT Funding	Project Description/Deliverables
R1-Beaverhead- Deerlodge	2019	1901001	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$15,000	
	2019	1901007	CDNST Pipestone Pass Trailhead (Butte RD)	\$66,000	Complete construction of parking area, install parking barriers and signage.
	2019	1901009	CDT Heavy Maintenance and Construction (forestwide)	\$60,000	Address beetle kill issues with MCC, Americorps and other partners.
R1-Bitterroot	2019	1901002	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2019	201900701	Chief Joseph Pass to Tr. #374 (Sula RD)	\$5,000	General maintenance on 25 mile section.
R1-Custer/Gallatin	2019	1901003	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
R1-Flathead	2019	1901004	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2019	1901011	Strawberry Creek Trail Heavy Maintenance (Spotted Bear RD)	\$30,000	9 miles tread repair/reconstruction from fire damage, including new puncheon installation.
R1 Helena-Lewis & Clark	2019	1901005	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2019	1901013	Dearborn Trail #206 (Rocky Mtn RD)	\$6,000	6 miles of tread repair/reconstruction.
	2019	1901012	Roger's Pass TH and Roger's to Lewis and Clark Pass PUDs (Lincoln RD)	\$27,000	New info kiosk and interpretive panels at Rogers pass, 1 mile reroute to avoid fallline trail.
R2-Arapaho- Roosevelt	2019	1902001	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2019	1902009	Bowen Gulch Trail Firming (Sulphur RD)	\$23,000	Address 4 miles of poor trail tread and help address motorized incursions.
R2-GMUG	2019	1902002	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	

	2019	1902010	Prospector Gulch Trail Construction - Year 4 (Gunnison RD)	\$23,500	1.8 miles trail construction via contract, SCA and force account.
R2-Medicine Bow- Routt	2019	1902003	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
R2-Pike San Isabel	2019	1902004	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2019	1902013	Hancock Pass to Chalk Pass New Construction (Salida RD)	\$60,000	Relocate 5 miles of CDT off of roads onto singletrack.
	2019	1902014	Planning for Chalk Pass Heavy Maintenance (Salida RD)	\$5,000	2 weeks of recon, layout, design and flagging of maintenance features along 4 mi of highly eroded trail section.
R2-Rio Grande	2019	1902005	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2019	1902016	Divide RD Heavy Maintenance (Divide RD)	\$30,000	Two hitches SCC to work on section south east of Bonito Pass towards Elwood.
	2019	1902015	Conejos Peak RD 2017 Rapid Assessment Results Priority Projects Identified for FY2019 (Conejos Peak RD)	\$59,500	Address 12 miles of trail tread issues from Hwy 17 to just above Dipping Lakes.
R2-San Juan	2019	1902006	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2019	1902019	Pagosa Ranger District CDNST Spruce Beetle Mitigation and Maintenance (Pagosa RD)	\$9,000	Logout areas impassable to stock, address trail braiding on 12 mile segment in Weminuche Wilderness.
	2019	1902018	FY 2019 Columbine RD CDT Project (Columbine RD)	\$90,500	Continued heavy maintenance and reconstruction on 12 mile segment in Weminuche from Ute Lake west to the District boundary on the North Fork Trail in the east.
	2019	1902020	Rapid Assessment Results FY2019 (Pagosa RD)	\$19,500	2 miles of heavy maintenance in Squaw Pass area.
R2-Shoshone	2019	1902007	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2019	1902021	Shoshone National Forest CDNST Relocation FY19 (Wind River RD)	\$67,500	Relocate 5.5 miles of CDT off of roads from Bear Cub Pass to Togwotee Pass.
R2-White River	2019	1902008	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	

	2019	1902023	Camp Hale/Cataract Creek Bridge Replacement	\$3,500	Purchase supplies to replace a bridge across Cataract Creek just above Camp Hale.
R3-Carson	2019	1903001	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2019	1903006	Carson NF CDT Maintenance with Minor Reroutes (forestwide)	\$66,000	Maintenance on 30 miles of CDT, including logout of beetle kill trees and minor reroutes to address unsustainable grades.
	2019	1903005	Design of 2 Trailheads - Martinez Canyon and Hopewell Lake (Canjilon & Tres Piedras RDs)	\$50,000	TH design to provide 2 public access points to the CDT from major highways.
R3- Cibola	2019	1903002	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
R3-Gila	2019	1903003	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2019	1903011	Reroute Construction: Bear Mountain (Silver City RD)	\$54,000	Fourth phase of trail relocations off of roads in this area. 1.5 miles of new construction.
	2019	1903008	Trail Improvement and Deferred Maintenance (Quemado RD)	\$18,000	6 miles of deferred maintenance on numerous sections of the CDT.
R3- Santa Fe	2019	1903004	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
R4-Bridger-Teton	2019	1904001	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2019	1904004	CDT Relocation Implementation- BTNF- SNF (Black Rock and Jackson RDs)	\$66,000	15.5-mile relocation through the Mt Leidy Highlands to Hwy 26 over Togwotee Pass. Includes 3 miles new construction; 12.5 miles heavy maintenance on existing trails.
	2019	1904005	Heavy Log Out Soda/Nowlin (Blackrock RD)	\$7,500	Clear heavy downfall from 4 miles of Soda Fork Trail, construct single log stringer bridge across Soda Creek on Nowlin Trail.
	2019	1904006	Bridger Wilderness - CDT Fremont Crossing to Baldy Lakes (Pinedale RD)	\$55,000	Trail reconstruction, check dams, drainage work, minor relocations along 15 miles of CDT in Bridger Wilderness.
R4-Caribou- Targhee	2019	1904002	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	

	2019	1904007	Keg Springs CDT Heavy Maintenance (Ashton/Island Park RD)	\$21,500	Harden TH parking area, increase signage, address motorized incursions, rehab trailtread back to singletrack.
	2019	1904009	Table Mountain and Red Rock Pass TRACS and CDT Spring Maintenance (Ashton/Island Park RD)	\$6,000	Trail condition assessments on 30 miles: from Table Mountain to Monida Pass and Keg Springs east to Red Rock Pass.
	2019	1904008	Pete Creek CDT Maintenance (Ashton/Island Park RD)	\$40,000	Realign switchbacks, logout, and re- establish drainage on 3 miles.
R4-Salmon-Challis	2019	1904003	CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2019	1904011	Anderson to Big Hole Pass Relocation (North Fork RD)	\$87,000	Construct 3 miles of new tail tread.
			Grand Total	\$1,191,000	

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R1-Beaverhead- Deerlodge	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$15,000	
	2020	201818801	CDNST Burton Park Relocation (Butte RD)	\$20,000	Begin construction of 3.8 mi new trail from Burton Park TH to forest boundary at FSR 84. MWA to be funded thru R1 cost share (~\$5k).
	2020	201818701	CDNST Reconstruction/Heavy Maintenance (forestwide)	\$50,000	Address most heavily affected beetle kill sections with blow down, hazard trees and erosion. MWA to be funded thru R1 cost share (~\$5-10k).
R1-Bitterroot	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2020	201714701	Chief Joseph Pass to Junction with Trail #374	\$5,000	25 miles of trail maintenance with local volunteer assistance
R1-Custer/Gallatin	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
R1-Flathead	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2020	201608001	Bowl Creek Heavy Maintenance (Spotted Bear RD)	\$36,000	Address erosion from fire damage on steep sidehill section. MWA to be funded thru R1 cost share (~\$5k).
R1 Helena-Lewis & Clark	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2020	201710501	Scapegoat Wilderness Deferred Maintenance (Lincoln RD)	\$31,500	7 mi of maintenance between junction of Sheep Creek Tr 441 south to wilderness boundary. MWA to be funded thru R1 cost share (~\$5.5k).

	2020	201710901	West Fork Pack Bridge Trail 203	\$15,000	A&E on bridge repair needs and possible contract award for this complex bridge that provides access to Chinese Wall section of CDT.
R2-Arapaho- Roosevelt	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2020	201818602	Corona Pass Tundra Repair and Marking (Sulphur RD)	\$22,000	RMYC crews to install ~200 rock cairns to mark 5 miles of trail above treeline.
R2-GMUG	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2020	201714802	Opening of Prospector Gulch- Year 5	\$11,000	Finalize trail construction, install signage, and ensure new 7-miles of trail tread is stable.
R2-Medicine Bow- Routt	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
		201817202	CDT Sign Replacements (Brush Creek/Hayden RD)	\$13,000	Install 2-panel kiosks at Pipeline TH, Red Mtn TH and NFSR 550/CDT intersection.
		201601602	Heart Creek Fence Passage (Brush Creek/Hayden RD)	\$15,000	Install a gate for stock passage with hiker walk-thru.
R2-Pike San Isabel	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
R2-Rio Grande	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2020	201712402	2017 Rapid Assessment Results Priority Projects (Conejos Peak RD)	\$52,000	Address priority areas identified in 2017 assessment; 4 weeks SCC crews.
	2020	201713002	Divide RD CDT Planning	\$22,000	Specialists to analyze findings from 2017 rapid trail assessment.
R2-San Juan	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2020	201817002	FY 2020 Columbine RD CDT Project	\$66,000	Finish heavy maintenance work on 12 mile section between Ute Lake and the District boundary on the North Fork trail.
	2020	201819102	Pagosa RD CDT Spruce Beetle Mitigation and Maintenance	\$9,000	Clear and maintain the CDT between NFST 588 Indian Creek to NFST 561 West Fork.
R2-Shoshone	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	

	2020	201816102	Shoshone NF CDT Relocation	\$55,000	Complete remaining construction needs from Sublette Pass to Togwotee Pass (~1.5 mi)
	2020	201816202	Togwotee Pass TH Installation	\$45,000	Complete NEPA (\$10k) and build parking area (\$35k).
R2-White River	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2020	201603702	Miners Creek Trail Reconstruction Phase 1 (Dillon RD)	\$50,000	First of 3-phase project to construct 2 miles of trail. Year 1 is corridor prep and construction of 0.5 mile of trail.
	2020	201819202	Kokomo Pass Reroutes (Eagle/Holy Cross RD)	\$25,000	Six short reroutes (total 1.4 miles) along a 4 mile section of CDT/CT between Camp Hale and Kokomo Pass.
R3-Carson	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2020	201816503	Construction of Martinez Cyn and Hopewell Lake Trailheads	\$50,000	Partial funding to get started- cost breakdown is needed.
	2020	201816403	CDT Maintenance	\$50,000	Partial funding for maintenance on entire 30 miles of trail. To be used for funding trail crew lead and SCC crew.
R3- Cibola	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
R3-Gila	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	
	2020	201713603	Five Springs to Ghost Lake Planning (Reserve RD)	\$40,000	Partial funding to complete NEPA for reroute of approx 14-mile section.
	2020	201818003	Little Walnut CDNST Trailhead (Silver City RD)	\$33,000	Funding for road crew work to address soil erosion and poor drainage.
	2020	201819503	Jack's Peak Reroute (Silver City RD)	\$41,500	Relocate 0.4 miles of trail off of road, including gate installation and signage.
	2020	201819303	Little Walnut North Reroute (Silver City RD)	\$54,000	Reroute 1 mile of a steep, eroded section near Silver City.
R3- Santa Fe	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
R4-Bridger-Teton	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$10,000	

	2020	201815404	Shoshone and Bridger Teton CDT Relocation Implementation Year 2 (Jackson and Blackrock RDs)	\$67,000	New construction and trail maintenance through the Mt Leidy Highlands to Hwy 26 over Togwotee Pass.
	2020	201815604	Baldy Lakes to North Fork Lake Trail Reconstruction	\$40,000	Heavy maintenance on 10 miles within the Bridger Wilderness.
R4-Caribou- Targhee	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2020	201816904	Raynolds Pass Heavy Maintenance	\$21,500	Two miles of trail brushing and maintenance; installation of new TH kiosk.
R4-Salmon-Challis	2020		CDT General Maintenance Funds	\$5,000	
	2020	201817404	Head of Carmen Creek to Sheep Creek Reconstruction	\$49,000	Heavy maintenance and small realignments along 13 mile section.
			Grand Total	\$1,191,000	