Dear Interested Party:

The Ferron/Price Ranger District, of the Manti-La Sal National Forest is proposing construction of: two trailhead parking areas, perpetuate dispersed camping, approximately 0.5 miles of non-motorized trail and to decommission one dispersed campsite in Emery County, Utah. The proposed project would occur in Huntington Canyon. Please reference the project map for this proposal, available for review at http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/mantilasal/projects/.

Propose Trailhead Parking Areas

The Forest Service has been asked to consider improving trailhead access at the mouths of Horse Canyon and Mill Canyon by enlarging the parking areas. Currently both trailheads have minimal parking and are problematic for equestrians. The trailheads do not have a sufficient area for horse trailers to turn around and only enough space to accommodate one horse trailer at a time.

Horse Canyon Trailhead
Horse Canyon is located approximately 18 miles west of Huntington, Utah on SR31 in Township 15 South, Range 7 East; Section 29. The current trailhead for the Horse Canyon trail has two camp sites with no designated trailhead parking area and with minimal parking for horse trailers. One camp site would be decommissioned to construct a designated graveled parking area, accommodating up to three tow vehicles and horse trailers. The proposed parking area is approximately 0.15 acre. No camping would be allowed in the designated trailhead.

Mill Canyon Trailhead @ Engineer Canyon
Mill Canyon is located approximately 22 miles west of Huntington, Utah on SR31 in Township 14 South, Range 7 East; Section 31. A new trailhead would be constructed at Engineer Canyon to access Mill Canyon. The new trailhead would include a graveled parking area approximately 0.5 acre, an information kiosk, and tie rails for equestrians. No camping would be allowed in the designated trailhead.

The proposed trailhead is currently being used for dispersed camping. Improvements would be made to perpetuate dispersed camping adjacent to the trailhead. Improvements could include: approximately 150 yard gravel access road to the dispersed campsites, graveled parking spurs.
and fire rings. Log and block fencing would also be constructed where necessary to contain motorized use.

**Proposed Non-motorized Trail**

The Huntington Pipeline Trail (Forest System Trail #5958) would be extended approximately 0.5 mile north, on the east side of Highway 31 between Mill Canyon and Engineer Canyon. All trail construction would occur within the reclaimed natural gas pipeline route adjacent to SR31.

I invite you to comment on this proposed action. Comments can be either oral or written. Individuals or organizations submitting comments must either sign the comments or otherwise verify identity in order to be considered. Comments received, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for this project and will be available for public inspection. Comments should include the information required pursuant to 36 CFR 215.6(a)(3), as published in the Federal Register on June 4, 2003. Pursuant to 36 CFR § 215.12(f), Categorically Excluded (CE) decisions are exempt from appeal. This project falls into the following categorically excluded action: FSH 1909.30.32.2 (1); Construction and reconstruction of trails.

The Responsible Official is Ferron/Price District Ranger Darren Olsen. Please send written comments to: Darren Olsen, Ferron/Price Ranger District, 115 West Canyon Road, P.O. Box 310 Ferron, Utah 84523; phone: (435) 636-3586, fax: (435) 384-3296; e-mail: comments-intermtn-manti-lasal-ferron-price@fs.fed.us E-mailed comments must be submitted in MS Word (*.doc) or rich text format (*.rtf). Comments may also be delivered to the above address during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, excluding federal holidays. We would appreciate receiving your comments on or before February 17, 2012.

If you have any questions please contact Del Orme at 435-636-3587 or Darren Olsen at the Ferron/Price Ranger District, 115 West Canyon Road, Ferron Utah 84523 or by telephone at 435-636-3586.

Sincerely,

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DARREN OLSEN
District Ranger