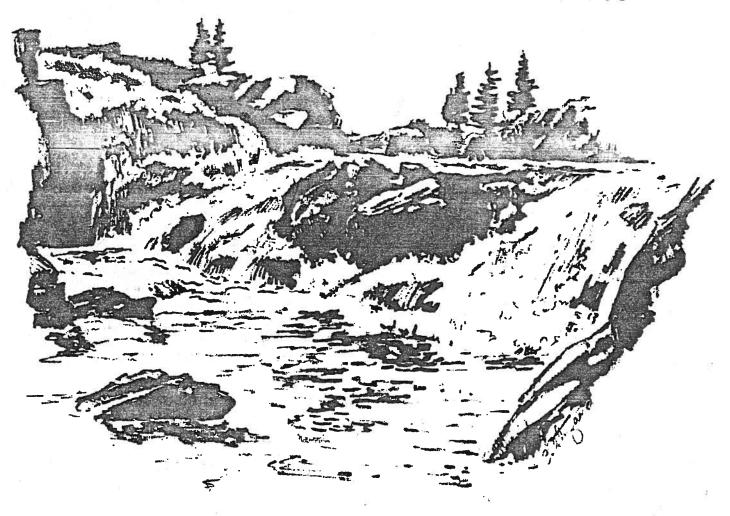
The North Fork American Wild River —

MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PLAN BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION





FOREST SERVICE - U.S.D.A. TAHOE NATIONAL FOREST

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT- U.S.D.I. FOLSOM DISTRICT



DECISION NOTICE AND FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

North Fork American, Wild and Scenic River
Management and Development Plan
Placer County, California
USDA - Forest Service
Tahoe National Forest
and

USDI - Bureau of Land Management Folsom District

Based on the analysis and evaluation described in the Study Report-Draft Environmental Statement for this proposal, and subsequent designation of the River as Wild by the "National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978," it is my decision to adopt the management and development plan for Alternative Four as the plan of management for National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management Lands. This management and development plan is consistent with the intent of Congress which enacted Public Law 90-542, known as the "Wild and Scenic River Act, October 2, 1968."

This management and development plan describes specific Wild River management direction, includes a development plan for trail improvement and associated recreation facilities, planning, administration, development and acquisition costs, and the specific boundary description. This plan provides the best combination of physical, biological, social, and economic benefits. It is considered to meet the intent of Congress for Wild Rivers.

The environmental analysis has determined that the management and development plan is not a major federal action that would appreciably affect the quality of the human environment; therefore, an environmental statement is not needed. This determination was made considering the following factors: (a) the conceptual plan, as an integral part of the North Fork American River Study Report-Draft Environmental Statement submitted to EPA on March 14, 1978, had Federal, State and public review; (b) the plan is within the umbrella of PL 95-625 designating the river as a component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System: (c) the beneficial effects outweigh the adverse effects; (d) there will be no appreciable effects on public health and safety; (e) it does not involve uncertain or unknown risks to the human environment; (f) the plan does not establish a precedent; (g) the action does not relate to other actions with significant impacts; (h) cultural and historical resources, and threatened and endangered species will not be adversely affected; (i) Federal State and local laws or requirements imposed for protection of the human environment will not be violated.

The Plan may be reviewed at the office of the Forest Supervisor, Tahoe National Forest, Highway 49 and Coyote Street, Nevada City, California 95959, and the Folsom District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 63 Natoma Street, Folsom, California 95630.

(2) The North Fork American Wild River was classified by Congress (P.L. 95-625, 11/10/78, amended P.L. 90-542, 10/2/68), and subsequent Management and Development Plan 10/3/79, "precludes cutting of trees except when needed in association with a primitive recreation experience." (North Fork American Wild River Management and Development Plan. October 3, 1979)

TABLE-4: Tanoe National Forest Productive Reserved Forest Land

Union Creek Expe	rimental Fore	est North-Fork-Am	erican Wild-River	
Stratum	Acres	Stratum	Acres	Total
L3G	103	L3G	22	125
M2N	24	M2 N	117	141
M3G	440	M3G	315	755
M3P	162	M3P	686	848
M4 G	292	M4G	154	446
M4P	190	M4P	1219	1409
e .	•	M6G	. 44	44
R2N	56			56
R3G	302			302
R3P	144			144
R4G	779			179
R4P	82		•	82
		ХЗР	404	404
		X4P	134	134
TOTAL PRODUCTIVE FOREST LAND	2,574	9	3,095	5,669
NONPRODUCTIVE & NONFOREST LAND	777		2,978	3,755
TOTALS	3,351	E	6,073	9,424

b. Other lands could be classed in the future as productive reserved depending on the selected alternative of the LMP and formally withdrawn by the Chief or nigher authority.

Productive Deferred

Productive (capable) Forest land which has been legislatively designated or administratively designated by the Secretary or Chief for wilderness study or possible additions to the Wilderness System. This classification does not include RARE II areas designated Further Planning.

- a. Currently no lands on the TNF are classed as productive deferred.
- b. Productive deferred will depend upon the selected alternative for the Forest Plan.

Implementation of this management and development plan will take place 90 days following publication in the Federal Register and forwarding to the the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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Forest Service

NORTH FORK AMERICAN WILD AND SCENIC RIVER

Notice of Classification, Management and Development Plan Summary and Boundaries

Pursuant to the authority delegated to the Chief, Forest Service by the Secretary of Agriculture in 7 CFR 2.60, the classification, boundaries, management and development plan summary for the North Fork American Wild and Scenic River Area is established as hereinafter set forth. The material which follows is all contained in the North Fork American Wild and Scenic River Study Report and Draft Environmental Statement which was submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency on March 14, 1978. Copies were furnities the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on March 14, 1979, in accordance with the subsection 3(b) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (82 Stat. 908).

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INTRODUCTION

Public Law 95-625, November 10, 1978, amended Public Law 90-542, October 2, 1968, "The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act" hereinafter referred to as "The Act", designating the North Fork American River as a part of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

The portion of the North Fork American River designated as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System extends from a point 0.3 mile above Heath Springs at the north-south section line between Sections 15 and 16, T.16 N., R.14 E., Mount Diablo Meridian, downstream to a point approximately 1000 feet upstream of the Colfax-Iowa Hill Bridge, including the Gold Run Addition Area, a total distance of 38.3 miles.

The Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management presently share in the responsibility for administering the North Fork American Wild and Scenic River System. The State of California retains management responsibility for its lands (123 acres) within the designated river boundary; management of these lands will be coordinated through a Memorandum of Agreement. The administration of the North Fork American Wild and Scenic river is to be as agreed upon by the Secretaries of the Department of the Interior and Agriculture or as directed by the President.

Classification of the river in the "Wild" class as designated in the Act is presented together with supporting management objectives and directives and development plans.

Information concerning the North Fork American River may be obtained by writing or visiting the Office of the Forest Supervisor, Tahoe National Forest, Highway 49 and Coyote Street, Nevada City, CA 95959.

CLASSIFICATION

The North Fork American River is one of three forks which make up the American River System. The headwaters of all originate just west of the Sierra Nevada Crest. These rivers are a major tributary to the Sacramento River System. The total drainage area of the designated component is about 241 square miles. All of the designated area is located in Placer County, State of California.

WILD SEGMENT

Class Definition. A wild river area is free of impoundments and generally inaccessible, except by trail, with watersheds or shorelines essentially primitive and waters unpolluted. It represents a vestige of primitive America.

Description. The entire designated section of river from a point 0.3 miles above Heath Springs at the Section line common to Sections 15 and 16, T.16 N., R.14E., M.D.M. downstream 38.3 miles to a point approximately 1000 feet above the Colfax-Iowa Hill Bridge, including the Gold Run Addition Area, has been designated by Congress as a Wild River.

MANAGEMENT PLAN

A. <u>General</u>. Congress gave direction for management of rivers included in the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in Section 1(b) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act:

"It is hereby declared to be the policy of the United States that certain selected rivers of the Nation which, with their immediate environments, possess outstandingly remarkable scenic, recreational, geologic, fish and wildlife, historic, cultural, or other similar values, shall be preserved in free-flowing condition, and that they and their immediate environments shall be protected for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations."

Section 10(a) of the Act states:

"Each component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System shall be administered in such a manner as to protect and enhance the values which caused it to be included in said system without, insofar as is consistent therewith, limiting other uses that do not substantially interfere with public use and enjoyment of these values. In such administration primary emphasis shall be given to protecting its aesthetic, scenic, historic, archaeologic and scientific features.

Management plans for any such component may establish varying degrees of intensity for its protection and development, based on the special attributes of the Area."

Under these principles, the following guidelines have been established to provide direction for management and administration of the North Fork American River and its adjoining lands.

Administration. The present administration of lands within the River Management Zone are the responsibilities of the Forest Supervisor, Tahoe National Forest and the District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Folsom District. There are 123 acres of State lands which will be administered by the State of California through a written Memorandum of Agreement. Private land is discussed below. Section 706 (P.L. 95-625) gives direction that the wild river is "to be administered by agencies of the Department of Interior and Agriculture as agreed upon by the Secretaries of such Departments or as directed by the President."

Private Land. The management of private land within the River Management
Zone will be competible with wild classification. The cost to landowners
to meet this need was recognized in the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and
provisions made for monetary compensation through purchase of land in fee
or of scenic easements. A scenic easement, as used here, will include an
agreement between a landowner and the administering agency for items which
directly and indirectly contribute to the scenic and environmental value
of property. Each party to a scenic easement will agree to practice
certain land management measures designed to protect the natural
qualities or scenic values of the property involved. The landowner will
be paid a fee to compensate him for property rights granted to the government
Reimbursement will be based on the present value of the property—determined

by a professional real estate appraiser--and the value of property rights granted to the government. The amount of the fee will vary greatly, dependent upon land value, rights retained, and other considerations.

Payment will be made on a one-time lump sum basis. The easement will be a legal document permanently recorded in the County records.

In order to facilitate public recreation use along the river, public rights to traverse and use the river shoreline on private lands will be acquired whenever the owner is willing to grant such a right. Where these rights can not be obtained willingly condemnation procedures may be used.

Private lands considered in this plan will not be acquired in fee, except on a willing seller-buyer basis.

All National Forest and Public Lands within the River Management Zone will be retained and not be used as a base for land exchange.

B. <u>Management Guidelines</u>. <u>This</u> section contains management guidelines for the entire river which is classified by law as Wild. Those guidelines which involve restrictions of private land will be in effect only when the right to make these restrictions has been purchased (as previously described).

These guidelines contain most of the specifics regarding the type of constraints on private land. Guidelines for commercial ventures are not specific and will be decided on a case-by-case basis with individual landowners during the negotiations for a scenic easement.

The River Management Zone includes land adjacent to 38.3 miles of the North Fork American River (from approximately 1000 feet upstream of the Colfax-Iowa Hill bridge to 0.3 miles upstream of Heath Springs) as described in the Boundary Description section below. A portion of the classified Wild River is within the North Fork American Roadless Area #05262 (RARE II Area) and a small contiguous area (CA-040-102) identified in the Bureau of Land Management's Draft Initial Wilderness Inventory that may meet the criteria for a Wilderness Study Area. Should these areas be designated as Wilderness in the future, the management guidelines which follow will apply with this exception (as stated in the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act):

"Any portion of a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers

System that is within the National Wilderness Preservation System

...shall be subject to the provisions of both the Wilderness Act and this Act with respect to preservation of such river and its immediate environment, and in case of conflict between the provisions of these Acts the more restrictive provision shall apply."

River Values. The river area will be managed with emphasis on main-

taining naturalness. Key values are its (1) free flowing character,

(2) inaccessibility except by trail, (3) watersheds and shorelines essentially primitive, (4) unpolluted waters, and (5) outstanding features such as scenery, historic, cultural and other similar values.

Recreation. Administration of uses and activities will be directed toward maintaining the natural values of the area. A visitor use registration system will be implemented as a management measure to obtain use data, distribute visitors, and improve visitor behavior.

Recreation facilities or other development will be limited to those necessary to protect the wild river values. Sanitation facilities will be provided to the extent necessary to meet public health needs and to prevent site deterioration and water pollution. Where facilities are found necessary, they will be (1) located outside the immediate foreground of rivers, streams, trails or other natural attractions,

(2) totally screened (where possible) from the river view, and (3) accomplished with the benefit of a detailed soil analysis to determine site capability. An interpretive center and visitor use development will be provided on a portion of the Gold Run Addition Area.

Significant historic, scenic, geologic, archaeologic and similar sites or areas will be protected.

Encourage "pack it in and pack it out" policy for all river area users.

All commercial services, including outfitters and guides, will be administered to serve the public needs commensurate with maintaining river values.

Range. There will be no domestic grazing of livestock other than that associated with recreational saddle and pack stock. Priority will be given to wildlife needs if conflict occurs between wildlife and recreational stock use of grazing areas.

Vegetation and Timber. The cutting of trees will not be permitted except when needed in association with a primitive recreation experience (such as clearing for trails and protection of users) or to protect the environment (such as control of fire). Timber outside the boundary, but within the visual corridors as viewed from the river will be managed and harvested in accordance with Multiple Use or subsequent Land Management Plans, providing special emphasis to visual quality. In the use areas threatened and endangered plant species will be located and protected.

<u>Water</u>. In cases of conflict between water quality and other resources, uses, and activities, protection of water quality will take precedence.

<u>Alteration</u> of natural channels or the streambank which appreciably affect

(1) the free flow of water, (2) the appearance of the stream, or (3) fish habitat, will not be permitted. Water quality monitoring will be continued at stations established during the river study as a check against deviations

from existing high quality (non-degradation policy). If adverse trends are detected and found to be man-caused, appropriate action will be taken to correct the problem.

Wildlife and Fisheries. Fishing and hunting will continue to be controlled by Federal and State laws and regulations. Priorities will be given to management which protects or enhances fish and wildlife values. Fish and wildlife habitat will be managed in a manner compatible with the naturalness of the wild river environment.

Minerals. Subject to valid existing rights, the minerals in Federal lands which are part of the system and constitute the bed or bank or area situated within one-quarter mile of the bank are withdrawn from all forms of appropriations under the mining laws.

Mineral operations of valid claims existing prior to January 3, 1975, will be conducted in a manner that minimizes surface disturbance, sedimentation, pollution and visual impairment. Activities will be monitored to insure operations are compatible with the objectives of wild river management. Where essential for the purposes of the Wild classification, actively seek to purchase the mineral rights.

<u>Transportation</u>. <u>Motorized land and water vehicles and suction dredges</u> will be prohibited within the wild river boundary. <u>Trails in close</u>

proximity (parallel) to the river will not be expanded without determination of the need for additional access. Trail bridges will be allowed across the river where they are needed and are compatible with the natural character of the area.

Access to private lands and valid mining claims existing prior to January 3, 1975 shall be controlled to cause the least adverse effect on the wild river environment.

Transportation routes outside the wild river boundary but within sight of the river must meet the visual quality standard specified in the Multiple Use Management or subsequent Land Management Plan direction.

Fire Management. To achieve fire management objectives, preference will be given to suppression methods which least alter the landscape and related wild river values. Fire suppression plans which outline the procedure for the attack of fire in certain areas in advance of actual fire occurrence will be prepared.

Land Uses. Existing uses on Federal land which are not compatible with management objectives will be terminated as soon as possible. New structures or installations will be permitted only when needed to protect the wild river values. Signing will be the minimum necessary to provide direction, information and regulations. Developments which are not of cultural significance will be removed.

DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Trail Access: Most of the 38.3 miles of river has sufficient existing trail access except for three areas. Additional access is needed from the Soda Springs-Baker Ranch Road northwesterly down to the Palisade Creek vicinity at the upper end of the Royal Gorge and from the Hidden Gold Camp area in the Gold Run Addition southerly to the river in the Pickering Bar-Canyon Creek vicinity. It is necessary to obtain trail easements on private land at these locations. Additional trail acess along the river from near the Colfex-Iowa Hill Bridge upstream to Robbers Bar is also needed. Any future expansion of the wisting trail system will be thereafty investigated for impacts to the wild river qualities. Existing trails requiring improvement to prevent further resource damage are listed below. Motorized vehicle use will be prohibited on all trails within the River Management Zone.

TRAIL IMPROVEMENT AND RIGHT-OF-WAY NEEDS

Trail Name	Type of Improvement 1/	R/W Needed 2/
Stevens	М	·
Blue Wing	М	X L
Pickering Bar	M,R	X ✓
Big Flat	М	x
Green Valley (Via Iron P	oint) M,R	×
- Green Valley (Via Giant (Gap) M,R	
Euchre Bar	М	
r Italian Bar	M,R	x
-Munford Bar	M,R	x
American River	M,R	x
— Beacroft	M,R,S	
Sailor Flat	. М	X
Big Granite Creek	M	x
Wabena Creek	. M,R	X 22
Palisade Creek (from Rd 1	7N14) M	

^{1/} M-Normal Maintenance; R-Relocation in Part; S-Stabilization

An assessment of the need for additional trailhead facilities will be made for the major trails that serve the river canyon during the Land

^{2/} R/W to be acquired as part of the scenic easements

Management Planning Process. Trailhead facilities are now proposed near the canyon rim outside the River Management Zone except for the Gold Run Addition Area.

Camping and Picnicking Areas. Camping, trailhead parking and related facilities are planned at the Gold Run Addition area above and out of the river canyon, but within the River Management Zone. A picnic (day use) area outside the River Management Zone in the Colfax-Iowa Hill bridge area is desirable and will be coordinated with the California State Park and Recreation Department's Auburn Reservoir Development proposal.

Recreation Facilities. The primary objective will be to retain the wild river environment with a minimum amount of development. The river will be managed to provide for dispersed type recreation in which outdoor skills are required and solitude prevails. Inconspicuously located primitive toilet facilities will be necessary to protect river and other environmental values at the following locations: Sanitation facilities will be constructed in the general areas of Robbers Bar, Secret Canyon, Big Flat, Picke ing Bar, Euchre Bar, Blackhawk Mine, Mumford Bar, Tadpole Creek, New York Canyon, Wabena Creek and Palisade Creek.

Reads and Trail Closures. The entire length of the Pioneer Mine and Wildcat Canyon trails will be closed and revegetated to prevent further

resource damage. Portions of roads in Sections 20 and 21 and the Black-hawk Mine Road will be closed to vehicular traffic, revegetated and used as a trail if needed. Other closures may also be determined to be necessary.

Scenic Overlooks. Two points; Lovers Leap and Big Valley Bluff, which provide unusual scenic views of the River Canyon, will be developed. These will also provide those persons who would not otherwise be able, because of age, handicap, etc., with an opportunity to enjoy the natural scenic beauty of the river canyon.

Interpretive Program. A number of historic and archaeological sites and natural areas are identified. An interpretive program may be developed to provide opportunities for the public to gain an understanding of prior activities. The primary emphasis will be to retain the natural environment of the wild river area.

BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The principal consideration for determination of the proposed boundary is the area seen from the river. Other considerations, such as special features, location of property lines, potential problem areas, and location of trails also influenced the location. The rationale for establishing a boundary varied depending on: (1) the presence or absence of private land, (2) topography, and (3) location of trail along river.

The lands within the river canyon have been surveyed by G.L.O.; therefore, the proposed boundary is located on legal subdivisons or private land lines, with few exceptions. To minimize boundary irregularities, land units of 40 acres were usually considered. Except in cases of mineral surveys, the smallest land units considered were approximately 20 acres. Where private land was involved the proposed boundary was located so it could be surveyed if necessary; random lines were not used.

With the system described, not all of the land seen from this river is included within the boundary; conversely some land not seen is included. The system led to the establishment of a proposed boundary which:

(1) includes land with the greatest potential for adversely affecting the character of the river, (2) averages less than 320 acres per river mile, (3) can be defined, and (4) is reasonable to survey where private land is involved.

GOLD RUN ADDITION. - This area is an extension of the river boundary to the north in the Canyon Creek, Indiana, Sheldon and Tommy Cain Ravine drainges. It includes 805 acres, south of Gold Run, which at one time was the southern portion of a California State Park proposal. While the acreage of this area is included in the river boundary, it is excepted from the acreage limitation mentioned above.

On the basis of the above consideration the river boundaries contain a total of 12,986 acres. With the 805-acre Gold Run Addition area excepted there is an average of about 318 acres per river mile.

Refer below for legal description of the boundary.

WILD RIVER CLASSIFICATION - BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION OF THE "NORTH FORK AMERICAN RIVER"

The official boundary description is that boundary which is shown on a map titled "River Boundary Location" of the North Fork American Wild River which is on file and available in the offices of the Forest Supervisor, Tahoe National Forest, Nevada City, California and Regional Forester, Pacific Southwest Region, San Francisco, California. Said boundary is located in and through the following described areas:

CALIFORNIA - BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Wild River Classification consisting of a portion of the lands lying on each side of the North Fork American River through the following townships:

T.15N., R.9E.

T.15N., R.10E.

All referred to the Mt. Diablo Meridian in Placer County, California and more particularly described as follows:

T.15N., R.9E.

Section 36, NEW, NESEW, ELSKUNNE, SELNWA, ELANGSWA, NEWSEWS & NESEWSWA.

T.15N., R.10E.

Section 32, NEANWA, Lot 2, No Lot 1, and NENE NEW ..

Section 31, Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

Section 30, Lots 1, 2 of S¹₂, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and S¹₂ Lot 4 SN²₄.

Section 29, NEANEW, Lots 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12 and St Lots, 6, 7 and 8.

Section 28, Lots 5, 7, 8, 9 and 12514.

Section 22, Wig Lots 4 and 5.

Section 21, Lots 6, 7 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14, EZSEZNWA, NZSWA and that portion of Truro P.M. 3710 which would be included in extension of lots 6, 7, 11 and 12.

Section 20, ELSE4.

Section 16, NE%, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and that portion of M.S. 1215 that lies within Section 16.

Section 15, NE4NE4, Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, M.S. L-4, M.S. 321 and those portions of M.S. 725 and M.S. 1215 which lie within Section 15.

Section 9, SW4SE4, Lots 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 and 9, M.S. 3470 and those portions of M.S. 173 and 1483 which lie within Section 9.

Section 10, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, M.S. 1482, and those portions of M.S. 173, M.S. 1483 and M.S. 725 which lie within Section 10.

Section 11, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9, SW_4NW_4 and MW_4SE_4 . Section 12, Lot 3.

Section 1, Lot 1 of E¹/₂, N¹/₂SW¹/₄, Lots 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, M.S. 681 and that portion of M.S. C-9 which lies within Section 1. Section 2, Lots 9 and 10.

CALIFORNIA - TAHOE NATIONAL FOREST

Wild River Classification consisting of a portion of the lands lying on each side of the North Fork American River through the following townships:

T.15N., R.11E.

T.15N., R.12E.

T.16N., R.11E.

T.16N., R.12E.

T.16N., R.13E.

T.16N., R.14E.

All referred to the Mt. Diablo Meridian in Placer County, California and more particularly described as follows:

T.15N., R.11E.

Section 6, Lots 6, 7, 8, N=11, 12, S=13, 14 of SW4, 26, 27, 28, 29, Mineral Lot 37 of M.S. 379, Mineral Lot 38 of M.S. 399, that portion of M.S. 5950A that is located within Lots 27 and 28, and that portion of M.S. C-9 in Lot 14 of SW4.

Section 5, Lots 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28 and that portion of M.S. 5950A that is located within Section 5.

Section 4, Lots, 1, 3, 23, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, portion of

Mineral Lot 42 of M.S. 1403A adjacent to Lot 3, the Blackhawk location of M.S. 3702 and the northerly portion of the

Southern Cross location of M.S. 3700 adjacent to Lot 1.

Section 3, Lots 1, 25, 26,27, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 35.

Section 2, Lots 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 23, 24,

Mineral Lot 59 of M.S. 3284 and those portions of

Mineral Lots 57 and 58 of M.S. 3284 that lie within

Section 1, Lots B and 9. T.15N., R.12E.

Section 3, Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4.

Section 4, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4. 5 and 6.
Section 5, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

T.16N., R.11E.

Section 36, SE4, BESN4 and SNASN4.

T.16N., R.12E.

Section 25, S12S12.

Section 31, SE4, E4SW4 and Lots 3 and 4.

Section 32, S\2S\2.

Section 33, S\2S\2.

Section 34, SEENEL, SESWE and SEL.

Section 35, N/2, and N/2SW4.

Section 36, NaNE4, Shane4 and NW4.

T.16N., R.13E.

Section 25, S1/2.

Section 26, S1/2.

Section 27, S½.

Section 28, SWENDER, STANKER, SEE and NESWE.

Section 29, $S_{2}^{1}N_{2}^{1}$ and $N_{2}^{1}S_{2}^{1}$.

Section 30, $S_2^1 N E_4^1$, $S E_4^1$, $E_4^1 S N_4^2$ and Lots 3 and 4.

Section 31, NEINWA and Lot 1.

T.16N., R.14E.

Section 16, SISINEW, SEW and SISING.

Section 17, S¹₂SE¹₄.

Section 20, NaNE and Wa...

Section 21, NWW and NUMBER and NUMBER 1

Section 29, N_2NN_4 and SN_4NN_4 .

Section 30, NEINE4, SINE4, SEINW4, NISE4, ELSW4 and Lots 2, 3 and 4.

Dated:	

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Chief

Billing Code 3410-11M.

SUPPORTING DATA:

- 1. SCENIC EASEMENTS
- 2. ESTIMATED COSTS
- 3. DEVELOPMENT PLAN MAP

Scenic Easements. Acquisition of scenic easements will be negotiated with private landowners to protect the wild river values. The following guidelines will be used for negotiating scenic easements:

Scenic easements will not:

- 1. Provide the public the right to enter upon the property for any purpose, except where public access is needed and acquired.
- 2. Deny the right of a landowner to any use of the area which would be compatible with the Wild River classification.
 - 3. Prohibit any current established uses that are compatible with the Wild River classification which were being exercised prior to acquisition of the easement.
 - 4. Affect the right of a landowner to sell his land or the right of his heirs to inherit the land.
 - 5. Affect the right of the landowner to perform maintenance on existing structures and buildings as provided for in the easement.

Scenic easements will:

1. Require the easement area be maintained in a neat and orderly

condition with no garbage, trash or other unsightly material allowed to accumulate.

- 2. Limit strucutures to those existing as of the date of the acquisition of the easement.
- 3. Require that no trees be cut, except those which are dead, are a hazard to safety, or to implement disease prevention measures as determined by and approved in writing by the administrative agency.
 - 4. Prohibit signs which would be visible from the river except as approved by the administering agency.
 - 5. Provide the public access along the river's edge and for trail right-of-way where needed.
- 6. Require that the general topography be continued in its present condition.
 - 7. Prohibit development of new access roads.

The administering agency may inspect for compliance with the terms of each scenic easement. When feasible, it is the intent of the agency to give advance notice to the landowner. Should the inspection

be made without advance notice, the administering agency will inform the landowner at the earliest opportunity that the inspection had been made.

ESTIMATED PROGRAM COST, FIRST FIVE YEARS The following are based on cost estimates made in 1977.

Year One	
Project Management (includes policing, maintenance and overhead)	\$ 35,000
Easement Acquisition	59,000
Recreation Site Plan and River Access Plan	25,000
Year Two	

Project Management	\$ 36,500
Easement Acquisition	98,000
Recreation Site and Access Planning	25,000
Close and Revegetate Road in Sections 20 and 21 and Blackhawk Mine Road	8,000
Construct Sanitation at Four Locations	20,000
Access Trail Improvement and Trailhead Facilities	62,000

Year Three

Project Management	\$ 38,000
Easement Acquisition	150,000
Construct Colfax-Iowa Hill Bridge Site (Mineral Bar)	45,000
Access Trail Improvement and Trailhead Facilities	59,000
Sanitation at Five Locations	25,000
Truro Mine Road Improvement and Parking	10,000
Construct Trail bridge and Trailhead to Palisade Cree	k 30,000

Summary

FIVE-YEAR ESTIMATED PROGRAM COST (1977 Dollars)

	<u>1st</u>	2nd	Year <u>3rd</u>	4th	5th	<u>Total</u>
Project Management	\$ 35,000	36,500	38,000	40,500	42,000	192,000
Acquisition	\$ 59,000	98,000	150,000	430,000	113,000	850,000 <u>1</u> /
Development Planning Site Development Sanitation Trail Development (includes bridge)	25,000 - - -	25,000 10,000 20,000	45,000 25,000 25,000	- 70,000 5,000 25,000	- 190,000 -	50,000 305,000 50,000
Parking/Access	-	-	_	35,000	-	35,000
Trail Improvement		47,000	27,000	45,000	25,000	144,000
Trailheads	· -	15,000	37,000	25,000	30,000	107,000
Obliterate Existing	; -	8,000	-	••	-	8,000
Obliterate Pioneer Mine and Wildcat Ca	- nyon Trail	s ·	-	-	5,000	5,000
Truro Mine Road and Parking	-		10,000	-	-	10,000
Development sub-Total 764,000 2/						
TOTAL	119,000	249,500	357,000	675,500	405,000 1	

 $[\]frac{1}{2}$ / Appropriation authorized (Sec. 706, P.L. 95-625). $\frac{2}{2}$ / \$765,000 authorized in Sec. 706, P.L. 95-625.

SUMMARY

(1977 Dollars)

YEAR

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Total
Project Management	35,000	36,500	38,000	40,500	42,000	192,000
Direct project:						
Easement Acquisition	59,000	98,000	150,000	430,000	113,000	850,000 <u>1</u> /
Obliterate Existing Roads/Train	lls	8,000			5,000	13,000
Recreation Site Planning	25,000	25,000				50,000
Recreation Construction		82,000	169,000	205,000	245,000	701,000
TOTAL	119,000	249,500	357,000	675,500	405,000	1,806,000

^{1/} Appropriation authorized (Sec. 706, P.L. 95-625) 765,000 authorized for development in Sec. 706, P.1. 95-625

Potential Recreation Development

Site #	Location	Type*	Agency	Est. Cost
1	Colfax-Iowa Hill Bridge Vicinity	PG, P/A, S	BLM	\$ 45,000
₂₀ 2	Stevens Trail-Colfax to Iowa Hill (7 miles)	P/A, TR	BLM	48,000
H 3	Robbers Bar and Secret Ravine	S, T	BLM	15,000
4	Blue Wing Trail-Iowa Hill to Pickering Bar	TH, TR	BLM	17,000 ~
5	Close and Reveg. Roads Sections 20 & 21		BLM	5,500
6	Hidden Gold Camp (25-Unit C.G., etc.)	P/A, CG, S, T	BLM	200,000 ~
7	Truro Mine Road Maintenance & Parking	P/A	BLM	10,000 🗸
8	Lovers Leap	OL, P/A, S	BLM	70,000 🗸
9	Trail - Green Valley Via Iron Point (1 mile)	TR	FS	5,000
10	Trail - Green Valley to Giant Gap Ridge (2.5 miles	TR)	FS	15,000
11	Trail - Iron Point (1.1 miles)	TH, TR	FS	21,000
12	Trail - Euchre Bar to American Eagle (3.5 miles)	S, TR	FS	13,000
13	Blackhawk Mine Area	S	FS	5,000
14	Close Road to Blackhawk Mine Vicinity		FS	2,500
15	Close and Stabilize Pioneer Mine Trail		FS	3,000

Site #	Location	Type*	Agency	Est. Cost
16	Trail - Italian Bar (2.3 miles)	TR, TH	FS	20,000
17	Mumford Bar Trail - Westville to Gov. Spgs. (6.2 miles)	TH, TR	FS .	27,000
18	Trail - American River (7.1 miles)	TR	FS	15,000
19	Mumford Bar	S	FS	5,000
20	Trail - Beacroft (2.5 miles) Close & Stabil	lize	FS	2,000
21	Tadpole Creek	S	FS	5,000
22	New York Canyon Area	S	FS	5,000
23	Trail - Sailor Flat	TH, TR	FS	15,000
24	Wildcat Canyon Area	S	FS	5,000
25	Trail - Wildcat Canyon (3.5 miles)	TR, TH	FS	20,000
26	Big Valley Bluff	OL, S, P, PG	FS	20,000
27	Trail - Big Granite Creek	TH, TR	FS	25,000
28	Wabena Trail (3 miles)	TR, TH, S	FS	30,000
29	Trail - Baker Ranch-Soda Springs Road to Heath Springs (2 miles)	T, TH, S	FS	35,000
30	Trail - Palisade Creek (4 miles)	TR	FS	10,000
	TOTAL			714,000
P/A - S - : TH -	Picnic Ground - Parking/Access Sanitation Trailhead Campground	TR - Trail Impr T - Trail Const OL - Overlook P - Parking		

