

90 (g) protecting, preserving, and enhancing affected natural, historical, and cultural  
 91 activities within these ranger districts from ongoing threats; and

92 (h) preserving and protecting the longstanding network of publicly accessible roads  
 93 within these ranger districts, in order to protect:

94 (i) the health, safety, and welfare of citizens who live near these ranger districts, and  
 95 persons who visit and recreate therein, from the threat of catastrophic fire and its resulting  
 96 problems of watershed and habitat destruction, erosion, silt load, and flooding, which can only  
 97 be managed, prevented, combatted, and mitigated through a proper transportation network  
 98 throughout these ranger districts; ~~and~~

99 (ii) hunter access ~~to~~ ~~for wildlife target harvest hunts~~ ~~to~~ ~~control~~ manage ~~and~~  
 99a wildlife populations ~~and~~ ; ~~and~~ and

100 ~~and~~ ~~enhance~~ (iii) ~~and~~ forage conditions for livestock grazing ~~and~~ and wildlife habitat ~~and~~ .

101 (3) The state of Utah transportation plan for the Cedar City, Powell, Escalante, and  
 102 Fremont ranger districts of the Dixie National Forest consists of all roads shown in the map  
 103 jointly prepared by the Garfield, Iron, Kane, and Wayne County GIS departments in February  
 104 2014, entitled "State of Utah Transportation Plan for Dixie National Forest," printed copies of  
 105 which will be maintained by the Utah Association of Counties and made available to the public  
 106 upon request.

107 (4) (a) (i) The map described in Subsection (3) also documents the move by Dixie  
 108 National Forest to close and otherwise deny the public's longstanding access to many of the  
 109 roads shown on the map in the Cedar City, Powell, Escalante, and Fremont ranger districts, by  
 110 reason of the United States Forest Service's implementing a recent motorized travel plan for the  
 111 Dixie National Forest.

112 (ii) These closures and other denials of public road access through the motorized travel  
 113 plan of the Dixie National Forest constitute an ongoing direct threat to the resources and values  
 114 referenced in Subsection (2).

115 (b) The state of Utah's transportation plan for these ranger districts conflicts with the  
 116 United States Forest Service's recent motorized travel plan for the Dixie National Forest.

117 (c) The state of Utah's transportation plan for these ranger districts recognizes that all  
 118 roads shown on the map referenced in Subsection (3) should be kept open to the public.

119 (5) The state finds that keeping open to the public all roads shown on the map  
 120 referenced in Subsection (3) is necessary and vital to preserve and protect the values cited in

121 Subsection (2).

122 (6) The state requests that the federal agencies that administer lands within the Cedar  
 123 City, Powell, Escalante, and Fremont ranger districts of the Dixie National Forest:

124 (a) fully cooperate and coordinate with the state of Utah and the respective counties in  
 125 which these ranger districts lie, to develop, amend, and implement United States Forest Service  
 126 land and resource management plans and transportation plans, and implement management  
 127 decisions pursuant to those plans, that are consistent with the purposes, goals, and policies  
 128 described in this section to the maximum extent allowed under federal law;

129 (b) enter into agreements regarding the maintenance, upkeep, and improvement of  
 130 roads in these ranger districts;

131 (c) refrain from any planning decisions and management actions that will undermine,  
 132 restrict, or diminish the goals, purposes, and policies as stated in this section; and

133 (d) refrain from implementing a policy that is contrary to the goals and purposes  
 134 described within this section.

135 ~~**H→ [(7) State agencies, such as the Department of Transportation, the Department of**~~  
 136 ~~**Natural Resources, the Division of Wildlife Resources, the Division of Forestry, Fire, and State**~~  
 137 ~~**Lands, and the Department of Agriculture and Food, should also coordinate with each other,**~~  
 138 ~~**with counties where these zones are situated, and with applicable federal agencies to develop,**~~  
 139 ~~**amend, and implement policies and management decisions that are consistent with the**~~  
 140 ~~**purposes, goals, and policies described in this section.**~~

141 ~~——(8)] (7) ←H~~ (a) The state recognizes the importance of longstanding road networks in all  
 142 national forests in the state but establishes this transportation plan to provide special protection  
 143 and preservation against the identified threats found to exist in the Cedar City, Powell,  
 144 Escalante, and Fremont ranger districts of the Dixie National Forest.

145 (b) It is the intent of the state to designate additional forest transportation plans in  
 146 future years as circumstances warrant their special protection and preservation.

147 ~~H→ [(9)] (8) ←H~~ The state calls upon applicable federal, state, and local agencies to  
 147a coordinate with  
 148 each other and establish applicable intergovernmental standing commissions, with membership  
 149 consisting of representatives from the United States government, the state of Utah, and local  
 150 governments, to coordinate and achieve consistency in planning decisions and management  
 151 actions consistent with the goals and policies of this section for the Cedar City, Powell,