

# WELCOME!

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## Meeting Purpose:

- » Provide foundational information about project goals and timeline and how the VUM Framework will be applied in the High Peaks area.
- » Share perspectives about current and desired future conditions for the High Peaks area regarding visitor use, visitor experiences, and public safety.

## This Meeting Includes:

- » An informational presentation about the High Peaks VUM Project.
- » Interactive discussion to understand participants' observations, experiences, and perspectives.

*Tonight's meeting incorporates interactive discussion, rather than a formal public comment approach.*





# HOW TO COMMENT

## Tell Us What You Think!

We are in the early stages of identifying current conditions in and desired future conditions for the High Peaks area regarding:

- » Amounts and types of visitor use
- » Quality and character of visitor experiences
- » Public safety considerations in the High Peaks study area.

We welcome your comments throughout the process. If you have additional thoughts about these topics after tonight's meeting, please submit your comments in one or more of the following ways:

## How to Comment

Comments are welcome throughout the process and will be used to inform next steps in the planning process and overall project. Comments may be submitted in the following ways:

1. By email to: [vum-facilitators@rossstrategic.com](mailto:vum-facilitators@rossstrategic.com)
2. Through the project website at: [HighPeaksVUM.com](http://HighPeaksVUM.com)
3. If you do not have internet access, you can send written comments to:

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# PROCESS MAP





# VISITOR USE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK DIAGRAM

## WHY



### STEPS:

1. Clarify project purpose and need.
2. Review the area's purpose and applicable legislation, agency policies, and other management direction.
3. Assess and summarize existing information and current conditions.
4. Develop a project action plan.

**Outcome:** Understand why the project is needed, and develop the project approach.

## WHAT



### STEPS:

5. Define desired condition for the project area.
6. Define appropriate visitor activities, facilities, and services.
7. Select indicators and establish thresholds

**Outcome:** Describe the conditions to be achieved or maintained and how conditions will be tracked over time.

## HOW



### STEPS:

8. Compare and document the differences between existing and desired conditions, and for visitor related impacts, clarify the specific links to visitor use characteristics.
9. Identify visitor use management strategies and actions to achieve desired conditions. direction.
10. Where necessary, identify visitor capacities and additional strategies to manage use levels within capacities.
11. Develop a monitoring strategy.

**Outcome:** Identify strategies to manage visitor use to achieve or maintain desired conditions.

## DO



### STEPS:

12. Implement management actions.
13. Conduct and document ongoing monitoring, and evaluate the effectiveness of management actions in achieving desired conditions.
14. Adjust management actions if needed to achieve desired conditions, and document rationale.

**Outcome:** Implement management strategies and actions, and adjust based on monitoring and evaluation.