

**Santa Fe National Forest
Objection Resolution Agreement**

An Objection Resolution meeting was held on May 24, 2016 at the Santa Fe National Forest (Forest) Supervisors Office. This agreement documents the resolution of Trout Unlimited and New Mexico Trout's objection to the Final Environmental Assessment and Draft Decision Notice for the New Mexico meadow jumping mouse (Mouse) Habitat Protection Project on the Cuba and Jemez Ranger Districts, Santa Fe National Forest. We recognize that Trout Unlimited and New Mexico Trout and the Santa Fe National Forest have a long history of collaboration and partnership.

The parties agree to the following objectives:

1. Both parties support conservation and recovery for the long term viability of the Mouse.
2. The Forest will conduct habitat assessment and presence/absence surveys for the Mouse. Frequency of the surveys will be determined by Forest Wildlife Biologists.
3. The Forest will utilize the data collected under Objective No. 2 to inform future adaptive management decisions.
4. The Forest will utilize volunteers in recovery efforts where feasible, including monitoring and habitat restoration.

As part of this resolution, Trout Unlimited and New Mexico Trout agree to withdraw their objections in whole.



Ronald Loehman, PhD, Conservation Chairman
New Mexico Trout

May 26, 2016
Date

Art Vollmer, Chair
Trout Unlimited New Mexico Council

Date



Allan Setzer, Cuba and Acting Jemez District Ranger
Santa Fe National Forest

05/25/2016
Date

Ronald Loehman, PhD, Conservation Chairman
New Mexico Trout

On April 20, 2016, you filed an objection to the Final Environmental Assessment and Draft Decision Notice for the New Mexico meadow jumping mouse (Mouse) Habitat Protection Project on the Cuba and Jemez Ranger Districts, Santa Fe National Forest released the Cuba and Acting Jemez District Ranger, Allan Setzer.

As a result of the objection resolution held on May 24, 2016, we were able to reach an agreement to resolve your issues. On May X, 2016, an Objection Resolution Agreement (enclosed) documenting the specific actions to be taken by the Santa Fe National Forest was signed by you and the District Ranger. The resolution included an agreement by you to withdraw your objection. You formally withdrew your objection by letter on May X, 2016 (enclosed).

In accordance with the regulation at 36 CFR 218(a)(6), I am setting aside your objection from further review. I appreciate the opportunity to discuss your concerns with you. The open, candid discussions allowed us to come to resolution on the issues raised in your objection. Your input and participation have been extremely valuable in helping the Agency make a more informed decision. We look forward to our continued partnership.

Sincerely,

MARIA T. GARCIA
Forest Supervisor
Santa Fe National Forest