

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**Between**  
**THE STATE OF COLORADO,**  
**And The**  
**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) extension and modification is hereby made and entered into as of the last date set forth on the signature page below (Effective Date) by and between the State of Colorado (State or Colorado) and the United States Department of Agriculture, including the USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Region (collectively the "Partners").

Per Section X(9), the Partners are in mutual consent to modify the following provisions of the MOU:

**Section (VII)(2):**

2. The parties will collaboratively develop a 10 year work plan for each 10 year period for which this agreement continues.

**Section (X)(10):**

**10. Termination Date:** This MOU will terminate ten years from the Effective Date (Termination Date). Extension of this MOU for an additional ten years may be made by mutual consent with a signed and dated modification of this MOU by the Parties (Extended Termination Date). Once fully executed, this MOU is effective until it is terminated by the Partners in writing, the Termination Date, or the Extended Termination Date.

**IV. PRINCIPAL CONTACTS.**

Individuals listed below may act in their respective areas for matters related to this MOU.

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US Forest Service Program Contact	US Forest Service Administrative Contact
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Per new Section X 'Provisions', item 10: Termination Date, of the original agreement, the Partners are in mutual consent to extend the MOU for an additional 10 years, expiring 10 years from the last date of signature. The Principal Contacts listed below have been updated to reflect current contacts for both Partners. All other provisions in the MOU remain the same.

**XI. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES.**

By signature below, each Partner certifies that the individuals listed in this document as representatives of the individual Partners are authorized to act in their respective areas for matters related to this MOU.

**In witness whereof, the Partners have extended this MOU for 10 years as of the last date written below.**

 Frank Beum, Rocky Mountain Regional Forester, USDA Forest Service	<p style="text-align: center;">05/31/2024</p> <p>Date</p>
 Dan Gibbs, Executive Director, Colorado Department of Natural Resources	<p>Date: 05/30/2024</p>