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Comments Sought for Sandia Crest Recreation Complex Renovation *Sandia Ranger District*

ALBUQUERQUE, NM – September 18, 2023 – The Cibola National Forest & National Grasslands is seeking scoping comments for the proposed Sandia Crest Recreation Complex Renovation Project. The project area is located in Bernalillo County, New Mexico at the crest of the Sandia Mountains. The area is just over 10,000 feet in elevation, with an almost 360-degree view overlooking Albuquerque, New Mexico, and the surrounding area (**see attached map**). This proposal does not include the Crest House.

The Sandia Ranger District proposes to improve and reconstruct portions of the Sandia Crest Recreation area to bring the site up to current standards, decrease short- and long-term maintenance needs, and to provide a sustainable recreation site. Comments are sought to help identify any unknown issues.

Scoping documents for the Sandia Crest Recreation Complex Renovation can be found on the Cibola National Forest & National Grasslands project page at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=61358>. For additional information, please contact Julie Padilla at Julie.Padilla@usda.gov or (505) 281-3304.

How to Comment:

Substantive comments are the most useful; they are comments that are within the scope of the proposed action, are specific to the proposed action, have a direct relationship to the proposed action and include supporting reasons for consideration. Please submit your comments no later than October 14, 2023.

Individuals and organizations desiring to comment must provide the following:

1. Name and current physical mailing address,
2. Title of the project (Proposed Action: Sandia Crest Recreation Complex Renovation)
3. Comments on the proposed action, along with supporting reasons to be considered in reaching a decision, and
4. Signature or other verification of identity upon request.

Please submit electronic comments <https://cara.fs2c.usda.gov/Public//CommentInput?Project=61358> or please mail written comments to:

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