

**Date** May 18, 2024  
**Attendees** Joe Maslowski (Elk Meadows)  
 Lona Christian (Elk Meadows)  
 Bill Palace (Elk Meadows)  
 Pat Willits, A Bar D Ranch Manager-970-596-5479  
 Cricket Weber, Ranch Manager-970-318-0018

Log

Milestone	Photo Reference	Note	Comments/Recommendations
0	9:20 am	Valley View-Aspen Drive intersection: Access to Evacuation Route	Existing sign is indecipherable / Replace evacuation sign
100 yards	9:28 am	Road junction	Slightly ambiguous intersection. / Install Arrow Sign for Evacuation route
1 mile	9:34 am	Major intersection: Zig Zag Road (straight); Rosetti Ranch (right)	Ambiguous intersection / Install Arrow Sign for Evacuation Route (Go Straight to Zig Zag Road)
<2 mile		Uphill rocky road	
<2 mile		Major Intersection: TURN RIGHT	Ambiguous intersection / Install Arrow Sign for Evacuation Route (Turn Right)
>2 mile	9:54 am	LOCKED Gate (Green); Access Code: 1958	Determine how to manage access codes.
>2 mile		Right hairpin turn, rough road, uphill ruts	
2.2 mile		Ambiguous intersection	Ambiguous intersection / Install Arrow Sign for Evacuation Route (Lona photo)
>2.2 mile		Downhill rough road	
3 mile	9:51 am	Downhill rough road	
> 3 mile	9:55 am	Locked Gate (Green); Access Code 1958.	Determine how to manage access codes.
> 3 mile	10:02 am	Start Zig Zag Road: Uphill, then downhill	Downhill: very rough road; >6 tight Z turns/switchbacks.  This section is not maintained and may be limited to AWD vehicles. Determine how to manage this.

5 mile	10:16 am	End Zig Zag Road - Moffat Street intersection	
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**Total Mileage Start to Moffat Street Intersection:** 5 miles

**Total Time:** 20 minutes (including several stops)

### Observations

Much of this route is one-way travel. Prior to the Zig Zag route (last 2 miles), there are several broad flat areas that could accommodate staging, turn-outs, rescue vehicles, etc.

The Zig Zag route offers no turn-outs or places for vehicles to pull over. During a real evacuation, in the event rescue/fire vehicles might have to use this route, it would be advisable to have some traffic control at the beginning and end of the route.

### Next Steps

1. Meet with Rosetti Ranch representative regarding potential evacuation routes.
2. Meet with Ridgway Fire Department to clarify their needs.
3. Meet with National Forest Service to clarify their needs.