Work on Pinewood is complete for the winter. Paving was completed on the entrance and on the upper road. The electrical campsites have been completed and the campground looks amazing! Walsh construction will return late Feb or early March to install the new vault toilets. Rick and crew will begin constructing the walk in campsites, playscape and outdoor classroom in the spring. The trail crew will also be returning to put the final touches on the trail and help with the connector trails within the walk in sites. Casey will be overseeing the reseeding efforts this spring as well. Brad will begin entering all of the new sites into our reservation system. This has truly been a group effort!

Big Thompson District Update:

I have completed my move back up the hill and into my office at Hermit. Please note my new office number is 577-2092.

Cindy will be moving up in Feb. Dave is working on constructing an additional office space within the HRO (Hermit Ranger Office).

I attended the first two meetings with the Big Thompson Task Force group.

HPOS:

Dave completed the flood repair work on the Homestead Meadows Connector Trail and it looks fabulous!

Gary has approved FEMA funding from the canyon to go towards an alternate project at HPOS. We will be putting that money towards completing the trail system/trail heads!

Work on the pavilion is complete for the winter. We will need to finish some work once it warms up in the spring- completing the plumbing, installing the grills, painting the woodwork and staining the concrete. What a dramatic face lift!

DBBOS:

The extreme changes in the weather have kept the rangers busy opening and closing the trails due to muddy conditions.

Travis and his crew are still actively helping us with the transition. Charlie and I went out and looked at the newest addition to the property, just below the keyhole to talk about rights of way, boundaries and other “land agenty things” What an amazing addition to this property!

Travis and his crew recently compiled all of the data on visitation during the past year. Over $106,000 visitors!

I attended the final mgmt update public meeting with the core team and got some good insight into how complex this plan is.

Starting to work on special events- specifically the Crazy Legs race that Travis has been coordinating for the past 7 years. I'll be working closely with him to ensure a smooth event!