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Steamboat Springs resident Nate Anderson uses the shoulder as he runs along Routt County Road 36 on Tuesday afternoon. In a split vote Tuesday, Routt County Board of Commissioners decided to widen the roads vehicle lanes thus narrowing its shoulders, which are used by bikers and other pedestrians.

Cyclists spurned

In split vote, commissioners decide to trim shoulders on C.R. 36

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The broad shoulders enjoyed by cyclists and other nonmotorized users of one of Routt County's most popular recreation corridors are about to shrink.

In a split vote Tuesday, the Routt County Board of Commissioners directed Road and Bridge Director Paul Draper

to change the configuration of Routt County Road 36 to widen vehicle lanes from 9 feet to 10 feet, thus shrinking the roads current 5-foot shoulders to 4-foot ones.

The change will be carried out when the road is next striped, Draper said, probably before the Fourth of July. The stretch of road affected is from city limits to a bridge over Soda Creek. C.R. 36 ends at the Strawberry Park Hot Springs and leads to

several trails and accesses to public lands. It also provides access to C.R. 38, which leads to Dry Lake Campground, Buffalo Pass and other popular areas of the Routt National Forest.

Draper said the county does not formally designate bicycle lanes on any of its roads, but the wide shoulders on C.R. 36 have become just that in practice. Its current configuration and width were the result of a conscious effort to make the road friend-

lier for cyclists, pedestrians and equestrians, county records show.

Commissioners Nancy Stahoviak and Doug Monger voted in favor of the reconfiguration, snubbing several members of the public who came to the Tuesday morning hearing or wrote e-mails to support the road's current configuration. Both commissioners said the lines on

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LOTTO



Tuesday night's Cash 5 numbers: 5-10-16-17-30
 Drawings are held Monday through Saturday.

WEATHER



Stray storm in the afternoon.
 High of 83.
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