Positive Impacts

The black asphalt heat sink would be removed. Decomposed granite or pea gravel placed in geogrid matrix (pervious pavement) would allow precipitation to percolate directly into the ground, eliminating storm water runoff. This surfacing has recently been installed in parking lots at the Utah Botanical Gardens, Kayesville, and at the Grand Staircase Escalante NM Visitor Center in Escalante, and is performing well, even during snow removal.

Negative Impacts

Removal of asphalt parking would require heavy demolition activity and installation of the pervious surface with associated noise and dust. The asphalt removed would be recycled. Park employees and visitors would be inconvenienced during construction.

3 **Action: Phased reconfiguration of poplar tree screens around the AZ and the planting of understory pinyon/juniper trees for screening purposes. Additional pinion/juniper trees, planted in drifts would be added to the AZ, VZ, and SG Zones to screen the development from the visitor center and visitor-approach corridor along highway 389.**

Need for visual screening of Administrative Zone as viewed from Highway 389