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Dear Sirs,

Please continue to provide motorized recreation opportunities of all types in the areas discussed and covered by this plan review. Far fewer people are recreating outside now a days and this is a very concerning issue. Outdoor recreation needs to be emphasized by all of us since it is such an important source to attain practical skills for our young people. All people need to have the opportunity to discover all the wonderful things this life has to offer and one of those opportunities is off-roading. The impact to the people is huge while the impact to the land is very minimal. There is no better way to provide for and learn respect for the natural world than to be able to experience it firsthand. Wilderness designations will not help provide the awareness of the importance of land and wildlife preservation, but rather they close people out entirely and all those treasures go un-appreciated by the very people that need to grow to appreciate and protect them. Groups like COVCO go a long way in educating the army it takes to preserve and appreciate these treasures we as citizens enjoy. This builds a strong following of people who will ensure the land and wildlife preservation for generations to come. Had Teddy Roosevelt been prohibited from enjoying these pleasures we all would be in a very different place today. If we are not allowing our young people to build these appreciations the effect will be exactly the opposite; our young people will build a complete disregard for the land and wildlife as we see before our eyes in the cities. If you have nothing to stand for you will by human nature fall for anything. This is the same net effect as the current trend not own personal property,; if you own nothing you have no responsibility and therefore far too many things become worthless.