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Via Electronic Mail
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RE: Scoping Notice for the South Fork Salmon River Restoration
and Access Management Plan

We are the owners of the historic Willey Ranch (aka Davis Ranch) on the South Fork of the Salmon River.

The Davis Ranch Road (aka Willey Ranch Road) is our only driving access road and is crucial to our property for safety and maintenance and for our restoration efforts subsequent to the devastating 2007 fire. We would vigorously oppose any improvements that would be coupled with a restriction of our rights, as owners of the Willey Ranch, to high clearance full-size vehicle access along that route.

We are not opposed to the general prohibition of motorized vehicles as long as it does not preclude or impede our (as needed) motorized vehicle access rights.

The 3-Mile road (aka Hamilton Bar Road) is our shortest and quickest emergency alternate access in and out of the Willey Ranch although it requires a significant hike on a section of trail and a crossing of the South Fork of the Salmon River at our property. Our position on this route is that same as that outlined above for the Davis Ranch Road.

Thank you for your consideration.

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