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Attn: El Dorado National Forest Over-Snow Vehicle Use Designation Project

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Eldorado National Forest Over-Snow Vehicle Use Designation

Kirkwood Mountain Resort ("Kirkwood"), submits the following objection on the Draft Record of Decision, Eldorado National Forest Over-Snow Vehicle (OSV) Use Designation Project.

As noted in our comment letter to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement dated July 20, 2018, our primary concerns remain the same. In looking at the Alternative 5 map it appears that the Pacific OSV Area encompasses land currently covered by the Kirkwood Alpine and Nordic Special use permit area. The Eldorado National Forest has authorized the development and operation of a winter sports facility under a 40 year Term Special Use Permit. This includes both the Kirkwood downhill ski resort area and the Nordic Area and the cross-country trail system.

Our concern is the interface between snowmobilers and Nordic skiers and snowshoers on the Schneider Cow Camp Road and Outpost and Juniper Ski Trails, all of which are located in our special use permit and are identified approved for snowmobiles in the Alternative 5, Pacific OSV area. If public OSV use occurs within Kirkwood permit boundary there are obvious safety issues and additionally such use would violate the terms of our permit. We therefore request that the Kirkwood Special Use Permit Area be formally excluded from the OSV Use Designation Project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Good Afternoon,

Please the attached letter regarding the OSV Draft Decision.

Sincerely,



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