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Subject: Red Rocks Vegetation Project, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest
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Objection Reviewing Officer
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Greetings Objection Reviewing Officer,

The Red Rocks Vegetation Area project over-steps its scope to include any new road closures. I object to any further road closures in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF. The Forest Service specifically said in the Record of Decision that there would be no further road closures (page 376: "No changes in the management of other roads and trails shall occur in the Boulder area). As per my previous comment, the Forest Service is not addressing my concerns over motorized access in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF. Recreation in the forest is very important to me and my family. It is where we go to make connection with each other as well as our beautiful land. We have spent time working on trails and the land to make access for all a possibility. We take pride in being environmentally conscious and keep the land healthy for future generations. The Forest Service is violating its own policy and further damaging its relationship with the communities it is serving. The forest is public land that the public has a right to access for ranching, motorized use, camping and fishing. It is time to increase the amount of motorized use that is available to the recreating public. The motorized access needs to be properly considered and include the information that supports the need and economic value of motorized recreation.

The Draft Decision is not the same as the draft that was released to the public for comment. At this late date, the Forest Service cannot make changes. The decision excluded 253 acres that was scheduled for treatment. We deserve the courtesy of fair and honest communication.

The remedy I propose is for the Forest Service to resubmit the Vegetation Project with no road closures for public comment. Enough of the backdoor tricks.

Thank you for considering my remarks.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Loomis

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