

OBJECTION TO THE HALE LAKE AREA MANAGEMENT PROJECT

October 15, 2020

Dear Ms. Jodie Canfield,

This letter is written as an objection of the proposed development of the Hale Lake area management project. I am eligible to write this objection because I have previously submitted specific written comments regarding the proposed project. Please reference my letter dated July 30, 2020. I will reiterate my objections hereinafter.

The proposed routes North of 443 are ok with me, if any use is granted at all. The main problem with the whole issue is there will be little to no policing provided to assure the public will abide by the rules and be accountable for violations if they are noncompliant. The USFS is under-staffed, the sheriff's department is under-staffed which results in campers and others using the property, abusing the same, and leaving significant amounts of trash for others to pick up. New Mexico Game and Fish might be around during hunting season, but they cannot be everywhere at once. They have difficulty patrolling the property already under their purview. Adding more territory will only make it more likely that violators of the rules will not be held accountable.

Additionally, the opening of Hale Canyon is strictly out of the question. This move will impede on my private land and my hunting habitat. We graze our cattle on the private property along with our forest lease. I vehemently oppose any opening of Hale Canyon as an additional route for all the reasons set forth above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neale Williams', with a stylized, cursive script.

Neale Williams

Personally, and as co-owner of Lazy H Partnership