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Dear Forest Service Personnel:

My name is Jim Cook and I'm a resident of Leawood, Kansas. I'm writing today to comment on WR-26, the proposed designation of FSR 501 as a "motorized trail." With all due respect to the Forest Service and its goal of making the trails and roads kinder to the environment, I would like to propose an optional approach.

I have used FSR 501 to access Bear Basin in the fall of almost every year since the year 2000 in connection with elk hunts and fishing. I don't have an ATV and have been transported into the Basin in a truck. This seems a good way to get a hunter(s) into camp without multiple (by a fairly significant factor) trips by ATV. Autumns that I've been there have invariably been dry and there is little truck stress on the road.

My thought is that restricting vehicle traffic during the spring snowmelt period would accomplish your goals, while leaving the trail accessible to vehicle traffic during the drier remainder of the year.

I also think this would allow more people like me, who don't have an ATV, to have access to the beautiful resource that is our national forest.

I respect the job the Forest Service does and appreciate the opportunity to comment on your proposal.

Yours truly,

Jim Cook

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