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I read the proposed closing of Bear Creek road to all vehicles and allow only ATV access. I have traveled down that road and have a few comments and observations.

I own property in the Pike National Forest in Colorado and also own 4 ATVs. Because of the flexibility of ATVs, they do not necessarily stay on approved roadways. On occasion, they tend to "create their own roads", particularly when trying to avoid potholes, water filled tire ruts, or just to explore. This activity tends to widen the normal road. There have been many areas here that the tundra is destroyed by ATVs not staying in designated roadways or trails. As a result, there have been several areas that have been closed to ATV traffic.

Please consider this when planning your proposal to close Bear Creek Road to vehicles other than ATVs.

Regards,

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