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To: [FS-travel-comments-rocky-mountain-shoshone](#)
Subject: Shoshone National Forest Winter Travel Plan - Comments
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Dear Mr. Robertson,

I am writing in order to support the following proposed actions in the Shoshone National Forest Winter Travel Management Plan:

- I support the high/low elevation winter motorized use season dates that the Forest is proposing. These dates help to minimize impacts to wildlife, eliminate conflict between motorized and non-motorized recreation on the Beartooth Plateau by recognizing that backcountry skiers typically use this area during a different season than motorized users, and align with management on neighboring forests. This feels like a balanced approach that protects a long tradition of non-motorized backcountry skiing after the pass is opened each year.
- I support closing the areas around Deception Creek and Pinnacles cross-country ski trails on Togwotee Pass to motorized use.
- I oppose designating the Sublette Pass trail as a winter motorized route. This trail has traditionally been used by and managed for skiers, and should remain that way.
- I ask that the Forest include a minimum snow depth restriction of 18 inches to ensure that over-snow vehicle use is only occurring when there's enough snow to protect underlying vegetation and wildlife habitat.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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