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I am writing in agreement with the 75% of Wyoming residents commenting on the Shoshone National Forest Plan for no additional motorized access on the SNF. Given the current state of out-of-control illegal use and habitat damage, it appears that more roads will only equal more abuse.

The SNF should first demonstrate the ability, and identify the resources needed, to sign and enforce the existing network of motorized trails. The proposed travel management plan offers little to nothing on achieving this goal.

Motorized trail users trying to be compliant with SNF regulations are often confused about the status of the trail they are on, wondering if they should even be there, or if it allows 50" or 65" vehicles. A comprehensive system of trail signs is critical for the success of this travel management plan.

Trails that look good on a map may actually be routed through fragile wetland areas. The travel management plan should avoid the tendency to create "loops" without first spending the time to travel the proposed route and evaluate its impact.

The impact of illegal use will not be solved by this plan, but the management plan needs to identify the tactics and financial resources needed to enforce what it has already created.

I hope that these comments are helpful and well-received. Our common goal is to preserve and protect the unique resource of the Shoshone National Forest for future generations.

Sincerely,

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