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Dear Supervisor Alexander and Staff,

Thank you for trying to manage the Forest for use by groups of people with varying interests. Since you try to keep the Forest accessible to all users, those groups who champion nonmotorized use must remember the people who cannot enjoy the Forest unless they use motorized – even mechanized – means of transport.

As witnessed by the changes of ATV to UTV to tracked vehicles of all sizes, it is difficult to keep up with the changes in preferences by human beings.

We are fortunate to usually receive enough snow to enjoy the great outdoors in the beautiful Forests of our state. The large animals usually move on to lower elevations where they can find food; the small animals either hibernate or exist under the snow.

As you work on the environmental analysis, please consider the comments submitted by the Wyoming State Snowmobile Association with regard to winter use. I agree much of their comments. I am a member and director of the Sweetwater Snowpokes Snowmobile and ATV Club. Our members are responsible and accountable recreationists who enjoy playing in the Forests of Wyoming.

Can the lower elevation and higher elevation open dates be subject to change through adaptive management?

Obviously more explanation is needed to clearly define the OSV use, snowmobile use, and any other vehicle use.

Some people like motorized; some like non-motorized. There can be room enough for everyone.