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To: FS-travel-comments-rocky-mountain-shoshone
Subject: Shoshone National Forest Travel Management - Revise Proposed Action Comments

Dear Acting Supervisor, please add my comments below to the docket regarding the current proposed travel management plane regarding the Shoshone National Forest –

Proposed Width Restriction on Groomed Snowmobile Trails

Having a width restriction on OSV trails that prohibits vehicles such as full-sized pickups equipped with track conversion kits is common sense. The trails are groomed for snowmobile use, and generally speaking smaller OSVs. I support the width restriction while allowing normal grooming operations on designated OSV trails.

Proposed Motorized Use Period “Zone Boundaries”

This proposal, in short, is complete nonsense. I do not support it at all. The notion that somehow after April 1st there is not enough snow pack to support responsible OSV use is very unfounded and quite obviously varies by season. This would equate to a totally unnecessary restriction on OSV travel that serves no conservation purposes at all. In addition, Snotel data the past several years does not support this conclusion. I do not support this “Zone Boundary” proposal at all and believe it should be removed from consideration.

Proposed Motorized “Use Period” Zones

I do not support this concept at all. It is a needless restriction on OSV travel that again serves no purpose. Snotel data backs this statement up.

Thank you for accepting my comments.

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