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**Subject:** Shoshone National Forest Travel Plan

Shoshone National Forest  
Attn: Acting Forest Supervisor  
808 Meadow Lane Avenue  
Cody, WY 82414  
RE: Shoshone National Forest Travel Management – Revised Proposed Action comments

Dear Acting Forest Service Supervisors:

My name is Jim Ames.

[REDACTED] enjoy riding my snowmobile in various parts of Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Washington, Colorado, Oregon and Canada.

Wyoming is one of my family and friends favorite destinations each winter as we explore the great outdoors.

During the winter months its an amazing gift to be able to visit our vast and beautiful western mountains and we really enjoy coming to Wyoming for winter adventures.

I have purchased Wyoming out of state use permits for 2-3 snowmobiles every year for over 20 years and brought many friends and family to share this amazing area.

I also guided snowmobile Tours back in 1984-85 into Yellowstone and the surrounding area and developed a great appreciation, love and respect for the Wyoming winters and the beautiful landscape it displays.

I was notified of the proposed action for the Shoshone National Forest and would like to submit comments in support of the Wyoming State Snowmobile Associations recommendations to the proposed revisions.

I feel that longer snowmobile access seasons could be considered using snotel data and real live, real time assessments based on actual conditions instead of setting a mandatory date that would restrict access in premium conditions. As a snowmobiler we usually quit riding when the conditions are unsafe or impractical for lack of snow and realize its time to put the snow machines away and prepare for summer activities.

Thank you for your diligent stewardship and consideration of Wyoming State Snowmobile associations request for additional evaluation, suggestions and forthcoming corrections to the plan.

Best Regards and have a safe and wonderful winter season.

Jim Ames

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