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Dear Shoshone National Forest Travel Management Team:

Please consider proposed dates of October 15 through June 15<sup>th</sup> for seasonal dates for snowmobiling. The dates that have been proposed are not realistic, and were not based on any factual or available data. Research would show that there is sufficient data available, as well as relevant historical use to support dates of October 15<sup>th</sup> through June 15<sup>th</sup>. If the decision has been made to have dates in place, the SNF should put forth the effort to evaluate the data provided by the Wyoming State Snowmobile Association, and State Parks and Trails. Each organization has data available to support a much longer riding season than what was proposed. Please also keep in mind our other resources. If people cannot snowmobile during May and June, many of them would be doing activities that have an impact on wildlife, such as antler hunting or riding horses etc. Diversifying recreational opportunities on our forests are very important and snowmobiling into the later months of the spring is one way to keep that diversification. Another point to consider is this...if the snow is not sufficient enough to snowmobile, snowmobilers will not be doing it. Their investment is too large to risk ruining their snowmobile due to poor riding or snow conditions.

Thanks,  
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