

To the Shoshone National Forest Travel Management Team,

I would like to submit a comment on the proposed seasonal dates for winter off trail over the snow travel. The proposed dates are not realistic, and were not based on any available data. There is sufficient data available, as well as historical use, to support dates of October 15th through June 15th. 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 WSSA, and State Parks and Trails. Both have the data available to support a much longer riding season than that which was proposed. You must also consider where the people who ride in May and June would go if they cannot snowmobile. Many of them would be doing activities that have an impact on wildlife, such as antler hunting or riding horses etc. Keeping them on snowmobiles has many advantages. Please make the effort to do this right.

Thanks,

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