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I am an avid snowmobiler, off road motorcyclist, and 4x4 enthusiast. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]. I would appreciate your careful consideration of my opinion regarding the following proposed actions in one of my favorite outdoor recreation areas - the Shoshone National Forest.

I am adamantly opposed to the proposed seasonal closure dates. Access to the forest in all seasons should be made available to the public as much as possible and the proposed closure dates are much too restrictive on outdoor recreation for no good reason. Many areas accessed for hunting would be negatively impacted by the proposed closure dates. I have been able to snowmobile many times earlier and later than the proposed dates and would resent any added restrictions. It would be a great disappointment to me if I were to lose any access to the riding areas affected by the proposed actions.

I am in favor of adding the proposed trail NZ-04W. Many people would use and enjoy this trail to access the high lakes area from Crandall and it would ease parking congestion at the junction.

Regarding width restrictions I feel they should be adjusted to accommodate tracked side by sides as they serve a good purpose for a lot of folks who use them for over the snow transportation.

There needs to be more youth recreation access. Pilot creek parking area and the ghost creek gravel pit should be designated as youth riding areas. A dual use designation should be added to as many roads as possible to make them trails also and therefore accessible for youth recreation. Leaving no areas or trails for youth would be unfair and inconsiderate.

More loop trails should be in the proposed action.

More new trails should be added in the proposed action.

Please do what is best for outdoor enthusiasts and maximize access for all motorized use.  
Thanks, Tate McCoy  
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