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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? – WR-1

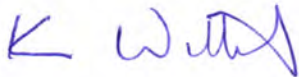
2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

WR-1 should not be considered.

We have submitted a proposal to close FSR 622. However, even if 622 remains a system road, additional motorized use in this area as proposed in WR-1 is very detrimental to dude ranch operators that have been using this area for many decades for trail rides.

Comments submitted by the Sierra Club Wyoming Chapter
Kim Wilbert , Chapter Chair



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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-3

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-3. Establishes new route in inventoried roadless area (RARE II). Validates existing, illegal, unauthorized use.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-4

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

WR-4 should not be considered. Any additional motorized routes across the top of the South Fork of Crooked Creek drainage will ruin an excellent and well-used foot-hunting spot. FSR 542, 632, and MT111 provide excellent access to this rich piece of habitat. There are already unregulated, user-created ATV trails down various cow trails into both forks of Crooked Creek. Opening any new motorized routes through this area will reduce the public's ability to successfully use this area for wildlife viewing and hunting.

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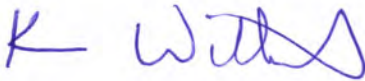
1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-5

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-5. WR-5 will destroy the backcountry character, secure game habitat, and foot and horse hunting qualities of a nice block of presently non-motorized forest between Kitten Creek and Wildcat Creek.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-6

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-6. We support WR-17 – closure of FSR 554.1E beyond, west and south of Geyser Creek crossing. If WR-17 is considered, WR-6 doesn't go anywhere.

WR-6 would require new construction in an area where existing motorized access (on FSR 554) is only ¼ mile away. Adoption of redundant routes such as WR-6 destroys the backcountry character of that area of the forest.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-7

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-7. WR-7 would require construction and maintenance on erosive, steep terrain.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-11

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

WR-11 should be discarded because it crosses an inventoried roadless (RARE II) portion of the forest. WR-11 is a long-used horse and cow trail that has been illegally used by motorized users. Any adoption of such routes tells the motorized community that if they pioneer an illegal route, it may end up as a system road. This is the wrong message if the SNF ever hopes to get compliance with the MVUM.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-12

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

WR-12 should not be considered. This is a bad area for a new, motorized route. Proposed route crosses ponds and other wetlands on the east end and must cross a creek on the west end.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? Portion of FSR 529 along forest boundary – WR-13A(?).

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-13A. FSR 529 has no public access. If WR-13A is needed to pull that section of FSR 529 off private property and onto the Forest, who is guaranteeing access from private lands to 529.1a, b, or c? Without general public access right-of-way to FSR529, we can't understand the rationale to consider WR-13A.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? Portion of WR-13 going north from FSR 528.2D down into Warm Springs Canyon – WR-13B(?)

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-13B. Severe terrain. New route would require extensive and expensive construction. * maintenance ,

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-14

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

WR-14 should not be adopted.

Excellent access to this area is provided by FSR 548 up the West Fork of Long Creek bottom and up onto the ridge by FSR 548.1F.

Motorized use on 549 and 549.1C bi-sects a nice, accessible piece of habitat between 548 and Highway 26, destroying secure habitat and a nice foot-hunting spot.

The whole route proposed in WR-14 ruins an excellent, easily accessible piece of wildlife habitat.

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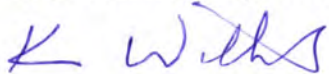
1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-17

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

WR-17 is a good proposal. Motorized travel across and beyond the Geyser Creek crossing on FSR 554.1E causes significant resource damage. The area near the southeast end of 554.1E is easily accessed by existing loop route FSR 554, 545, and 528.

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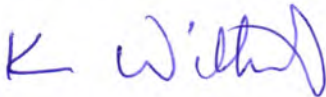
1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-21

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-21. This is a RARE II area. A 400-yard walk to the overlook is much more rewarding than getting there by a loud, smelly machine.

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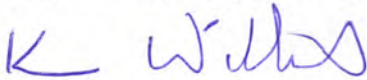
1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-22

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-22. No need to validate 200 yards of an illegal spur.

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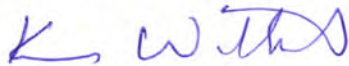
1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-27

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

WR-27 should not be considered. This route would require difficult road construction down an approximately 400 vertical foot drop within less than ¼ mile. FSR 552 provides high access (as in up on the ridge) in this area already.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-28

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-28. It crosses a RARE II roadless area. WR-28 is a horse/cow trail. User-created roads should not be considered. Adoption of current, illegal use will encourage future illegal use.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-30

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-30! This is an old, user-created road that has long (30 years or more) been off the system. This proposal would constitute opening a new road into a RARE II-designated roadless area. This proposal would interfere with a very popular and long-used horse and foot hunting area across the head of Castle Creek and surrounding area. Proponents of this type of spur road are hunters desiring easier access to an area where they spot elk from afar. Opening such routes is self-defeating and will simply move the game further back, in this case, into the wilderness. Opening this route will destroy this wonderful and already accessible piece of habitat.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-32

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

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Reject WR-32. This route would need to descend a steep hill (with a drop of 150 feet in 750 feet) and then would need to cross Long Creek. It would be much better to abandon (close) FSR 549.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-33

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

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Reject WR-33. FSR 513 presently provides excellent access to this excellent piece of habitat. Motorized use on WR-33 would only serve to push game animals onto private lands on the Du Noir. This road used to be how people got into the Wolf Creek trailhead. It is a boggy, messy road. We strongly recommend against re-opening this old jeep trail.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-34

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

This road is too close to the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail. WR-34, 34A, and 34B would ruin backcountry character, secure wildlife habitat and opportunity for foot and horseback wildlife viewing and hunting in this rich area along the Continental Divide.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-34A

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-34A. WR 34, 34A, and 34B would ruin the backcountry character of this area, the secure wildlife habitat, the wildlife viewing, and the horse and foot hunting opportunities that this area provides to the public.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-34B

2. Provide comments below on the proposal: (continue on back if needed)

Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

Reject WR-34B. WR-34, 34A, and 34B will ruin backcountry character, the secure wildlife habitat, and the opportunity for foot and horseback wildlife viewers and hunters to enjoy this rich area.

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1. Which proposal are you commenting on? WR-36

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Please be specific and provide rationale for your position. In other words why do you like or dislike about the proposal.

WR-36 should not be considered.

WR-36 bi-sects a nice area that is easily accessible by other means and is used by foot hunters and as a wildlife habitat and viewing area. It is within minutes of Dubois.

All proposed routes that are old roads not currently in the system, and/or are illegal, unauthorized user-created routes, should not be considered for addition to the road system. WR-36 is a combination of an old road that, at its end, turns into an unauthorized, user-created road. Any additions to the system such as WR-36 just serves to encourage and legitimize more illegal use!

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