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ATV's, Dirt Bikes, Snowmobiles, Jeeps

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Colville National Forest Plan

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Revision Team

765 South Main St.

Colville, Wa. 99114

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First off the members of Tri-County Motorized Recreation Association are most concerned about forest access, we would like to see more roads and trails open, especially if they provide more connectivity and loops . We believe that more wilderness will only encourage more closures and restrictions and we don't support that idea. With all the confusion with the new land management designations, PWAs and with the possibility of the decision maker selecting parts and pieces from all alternatives to form a selected alternative we would prefer to see the NO ACTION alternative selected.

In Chapter 2 page 62 (Forestwide Direction) starting with line 1665 it says that; " within 15 years of Plan Implementation, designate 45 miles of motorized mixed-use roads across the Forest that would connect with existing motorized use roads identified on the motor vehicle use map to create loop-riding opportunities, connect camping areas, or connect communities with the Forest".

A meer 45 miles!! This statement will preclude any opportunity of including all roads that we might gain in the future unless this is a minimum and if it is it should be stated as such. This section needs to be removed from the document or reworded to eliminate any limitation on the mileage that could be added to the motor vehicle use map in the future.

Sincerely,

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President TCMRA