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Comments: Comments for the current GMUG "draft" Forest Service Plan and DEIS

I am a Colorado Native, that has been using the trails in the forests of Colorado all of my life for camping, fishing, hunting and off-roading. My family loves getting outdoors in a Jeep, truck, motorcycle and on ATVs , all these activities have been a part of my entire life (50+ years) and my children enjoy these actives as well. We enjoy all of the trails in the Alpine Loop area, especially to get to historical mining sites and to fishing areas. I also enjoy getting from Aspen to Crested Butte via Pearl Pass and do not want to lose any of the trails in the area.

I am a member of Colorado 4 x 4 Girls and we conduct trail stewardship projects and practice Tread Lightly and Stay the Trail practices. We always clean up trash as we find it on the trails as well as maintaining four adopted Forest Service trails. Our Club has also provided assistance on trail maintenance on trails in the GMUG Forest and will continue to do so.

I am also a member of CORE (Colorado Off Road Enterprise), COHVCO (Colorado Off Highway Vehicle Collation) and I donate and support Colorado Offroad Trail Defenders. I believe that we should be able to keep our existing motorized vehicle trails and get back those that have been closed without due process and without input from the motorized community.

I support and agree ALL of the comments that CORE, Colorado Offroad Trail Defenders, Blue Ribbon Coalition, Trails Preservation Alliance and COHVCO - all of which have submitted comments on the draft GMUG FS Plans DEIS!

It appears that ALTERNATIVE C is the best alternative and I support it and want to not the that it needs a few corrections - add in existing missing trails and routes in the ROS zones.

It needs ROS mapping errors corrected

But it has the most flexibility for future planning and less restrictive with wildlife zones

I do NOT support closing any existing motorized trails in GMUG Forest!

Mapping errors must be corrected! And the missing trails in the ROS need to be corrected and ADDED back on the maps and draft plans!

Future travel planning could be impacted negatively if the ROS zone mapping errors are not corrected. We do NOT want to lose any additional existing motorized routes - so these must be corrected.

I am disappointed that the motorized community was excluded from the public process on the Gunnison Public Lands Initiative (GPLI) proposal. The results and comments from this group - especially in Alternative D should be eliminated since it did have representation from all forest users groups! It definitely was not a public process!

I don't believe that GPLI Coalition is sincere in their claims of not closing existing motorized trails. If this was true then why wasn't the motorized community involved in the proposal? Since the motorized community wasn't involved there are errors on existing trails and their uses throughout the year.

Errors in ALL Alternatives and Special Management areas (SMA's) to say "No NEW" summer motorized use instead of "NO" summer use.

I strongly oppose the SMA's in Alternative D!

I do not support additional wilderness areas to be added in the area, especially if it impacts existing motorized routes and closes any of them.

Closing existing motorized routes and creating additional wilderness areas is discriminating against those with disabilities. They would no longer have access to these beautiful areas for the scenery, fishing opportunities and their off roading activities.

Thank you for considering my comments and my support of the comments of all the groups listed above.