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Comments: The publication of 979,000 acres for over the snow vehicles, after March 31st, is misleading, in that a large share of these areas are either to steep or to wooded to enjoy.

Closing 278,000 acres at the end of March such as China, Pulpit and Buckhorn, for example, is a problem. These are the areas older and novice people ride well into the spring. These areas are partially open and have relatively gentle slopes.

Closing an area because it MAY BE grizzly habitat is not acceptable.

Wolverine maternal and primary habitats, according to maps on display, surround the Troy Snowmobile Club warming hut. This makes absolutely no sense, not to be able to ride there.

Maybe we could take a pole and see how many snowmobilers have ever seen tracks or better yet a live bear or wolverine in these areas.

Please see attached : 2008 study on motorized over the snow vehicles and their impact on bears.