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Thank you for your work protecting our National Forests. I appreciate the challenges in trying to meet the mandate for multi-use. My comments at this time pertain primarily to recreational use. I believe your messaging that describes the National Forest as a "playground" does much more harm than good. As a retired educator, I've seen and witnessed the slow erosion of the human species connection to the land. The land is not a place of awe and wonder but rather a place to exploit for personal gain . Given population increases and heavy use, I'd also like to see restrictions placed on the use of large recreational vehicles in campgrounds. They can have their place, but separate from those of us that tread lightly, camping in tents, without generators, satellite dishes, and ATV's. This past weekend I observed paddle boards on Trappers Lake (not your jurisdiction) but also recently at Lost Lake Slough. It's an interesting dilemma, deciding where the line is drawn between human enjoyment/exploitation and the sanctity of the environment. Thank you. Steve Allerton 1945 N 9th Grand Junction 81501