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Comments: We need more focus on non-motorized areas for both winter and summer. After reading a good part of several of the documents, I feel the closing statements of the draft which the CB News quoted was misleading, and also that the data in the documents is contradictory in different sections. The data in the document clearly states that in Colorado in summer as of 2014: 20% of users were motorized and 80% non-motorized, and in winter 44% motorized and 56% non-motorized. There are more motorized trails than non-motorized in the non-wilderness of the GMUG. And even though hiking, horseback riding and mtn biking are allowed on many of these motorized trails, these uses may not be compatible with motorized uses.

Although I see the benefits of motorized use for individuals and for the economy of our towns, motorized clearly has a higher impact on trails in the summer and on quiet users and wildlife in winter and summer. The 2014 SCORP report (used as a resource for the draft plan) also states that in Colorado the 4 most important outdoor activities were walking, hiking, backpacking and picnics, then 5th was fishing. As we know these are all very important in our community as are mountain biking and human powered skiing.

Recreation Activity Participation as Reported in the NVUM Report, Table 1 clearly shows that motorized use is a much smaller component of activity than non-motorized activities. These statistics are also shown in Tables 7 and 17 on pages 16 and 31, respectively, of the Draft Assessment.

So I do not believe motorized activity is more prevalent, or that revising the GMUG Forest Plan to support more motorized activity is the right thing to do.