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Dear GMUG Planning Team,

Thank you so much for your thoughtful work to protect our most precious resource--intact forests. I have read your review of recreational use in the GMUG and it seems thorough except for two glaring omissions--the impact of human activity on non-human species and on climate change. Most importantly I want to request that you include as a top priority in your plan the voices that are not heard, those of the non-human species that live in the forests you protect, as they are crucial to the health of the forests. And in so doing, please make decisions repeatedly that decrease the use of motorized vehicles and drones overall and work to keep any motorized use that is continued very close to populated areas rather than disturbing the non-humans and humans that seek quiet in the areas away from populated areas. Please also, for all of us that live on this planet, drastically decrease the use of motorized vehicles everywhere as this will have a two-fold public health effect--it will encourage people to be more physically active and, therefore, be more healthy, and it will decrease the demand for extracting and resulting destructive emissions from burning fossil fuels, slowing our rapid destruction of our and others' home. (Clearly this would also include drastically decreasing logging and oil and gas extraction in the other sections of the plan!!) I hope that you will see and grasp your role in the big picture and have the courage to do these things for the good of all! Be brave!

Sincerely,

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