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Comments: Airstrips are an important recreational as well as operational part of the forest infrastructure. In the proposed document where ever it says "roads and trails" please change that to "roads, trails and airstrips".

In many places in the proposed document various forms of recreation are listed and discussed. The 2012 Planning Rule lists aviation as a valid form of recreation. The proposed action restricts aviation. Why is this? Aviation should be restated as a legitimate way to access our forest grounds.

Many USFS airstrips are maintained thru joint efforts of USFS and groups such as the RAF. Please revise the proposed action to include guidance for planners on the importance of coordinating with such groups.

The Chief of the USFS, along with the heads of other agencies such as BLM, along with Congress have all published comments stating the importance of airstrips as one part of an overall balanced public lands transportation system.

Forest planners may not have detailed knowledge of the airstrips in their forest. The proposed action clearly outlines sources of information when accessing and planning for roads, trails, historic sites, etc. Airstrips need the same consideration. Please include sources of information for airstrips so planners can make good decisions based on the needs of airstrips.

Within the next 10 years, the bulk of baby boomers will retire, increasing pressure on USFS recreational airstrips. The Forest Plan must provide planners with the tools to recognize, assess, and adapt to this increasing demand. Please include recreational aviation and airstrips in order to encompass potential future demand on airstrips.

Thanks for your time.