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Comments: My name is Steve Jones, age 65 and I live at 309 Laguna Drive in Victoria, Texas (77904). 361-212-1160

I am writing this in support of the residents of Tin Cup who have contacted you with their concerns regarding the astonishing increase of campers, RV's and ATV's in the Taylor Park area and the town of Tin Cup in the last few years. My family has owned property in Tin Cup since 1970 and have always been active stewards of the environment, its natural beauty and the wildlife that it supports. My wife and I have begun to spend more time each summer at our cabin in Tin Cup since our children are grown and I retired from the Engineering Solutions Group of the Dow Chemical Company. Just in the last five years or so (I don't have actual data) it seems that the unrestricted RV camping in the Park and the ATV and Motorcycle traffic through town and on the trails has increased at an alarming rate. I have always been told that regulations exist to protect the land and streams in the Taylor Park area, but have never seen any evidence that those regulations are being enforced and with increased usage comes increased abuse and destruction of a very unique ecosystem.

Regarding the specific issue of Dispersed Camping, myself and my family members fully support the "Alternative Proposal" that has been presented to you which prohibits dispersed camping from the Dump Station, both sides of the road south to Tincup and at least a mile up the Mirror Lake Road. Anything less than this will most surely jeopardize the natural splendor of Taylor Park and its surrounding Natural Forest for the present and future generations.

My contact information is cited above. Please feel free to contact me if there is any additional way that I can show support for the issues that are being brought to your attention by the Tin Cup/Taylor Park community.

I currently do not have the ability to view the Webinars that were presented on the subject, but will as soon as I can and hopefully provide some more specific feedback.

Respectfully,
Steve Jones
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