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Comments: Hello,

As a Bear Valley resident and business owner, I can say without a doubt that the proposed reductions will significantly negatively impact the economy of Bear Valley. Many of our visitors in the winter are snowmobilers that come to ride the available terrain. Given the proposed reduction in terrain, they'll choose to go elsewhere. I've spoken to several that have already decided to take their main trips to other more welcoming areas in Montana and Wyoming.

Besides the big impact on our tiny economy here, if such restrictions were imposed, myself and several other residents would likely relocate to a more welcoming area. The easy access to backcountry snowmobiling is a huge draw for the residents of this area.

Also, the proposed restrictions would directly impact one of the main businesses in town - Bear Valley Snowmobile Rental.

I do not have a clear understanding of why the restrictions are being proposed - any info you may be able to share relating to the benefits of this proposal would be of interest to me. Currently, I see no benefit at all.

Thank you.

Nate Musson