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Comments: Samantha,

I am a 20 year resident of Gunnison County, CO. I believe that no single group should be excluded from any valley for winter recreation. As the population grows, and winter use increases, it is so very important to keep areas open so there is not congestion at one single trailhead or valley. Groups like Silent Tracks will use false data to show that motorized use is damaging the land, but it is not true.

Actually, cross country skiers have more valleys to ski in than any other user group.

Please consider that back country skiers with families and jobs need access to Slate River to be able to ski for 2-3 hours and then return to normal life[hellip] they don't have the luxury of a 7 hour ski tour[hellip].

Please let me know if you would like to discuss this matter further. I can be reached at this e-mail address.

best,

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