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Comments: Thank you for considering our comments. I am only familiar with Hwy 4 and my comments pertain to use in that area.

I have two concerns about all proposals for winter recreation.

First, any plan needs to be accompanied by a profusion of educational and user friendly information such as maps and signage. Most people want to do the right thing and abide by the rules but the rules have to make sense in the field. All of the proposed maps have elevation based boundaries that will be difficult to follow in winter. Using more readily recognizable boundaries such as the groomed highway and certain drainages would be more user friendly. For example, the narrow corridor near between Cape Horn and Stanislaus meadow, north of Hwy 4, that is open to motorized use is either knowingly or unknowingly expanded further north because there is no field boundary to tell riders they are in a closed area.

Second, no plan should be dependent on snow depth conditions. There is too much opportunity for differences in observation and locations. Unless USFS is going to station an officer at each sno-park throught out the season there is very little chance of verifying the legal condtions of use. The area should either be opened or closed. Thank you.