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The lands of the Wayne National forest were the home of motorized recreation from the 30's until the late 70's. Pleasure riders, 4X4 drivers and club motorized events happened every weekend. In the late 70's early 80's the clubs and independent riders provided the Wayne with maps of over 600 miles of motorcycle trails in the Wayne. This is in addition to the public roads and 4x4 trails in the Wayne. The Marine Corp and Army also ran tanks and street sweepers (type of tank). At the time of the first recreation plan we were promised, for an agreement to let the Wayne close existing trails, 80 miles the first year and 10% to 15% more trails each year. By that standard we would have over 600 miles of trails today. A point to remember is that the trails documented were all single track.

Every trail on the Wayne now is across those very trails. Asking to have an area with single track trails is not asking a lot. If a mountain bike can have a dedicated 100 mile trail and dedicated horse trails are over 100 miles surely the folks whose RTP moneys are paying their way can have that many miles too!!

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