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Comments: I support mechanized and motorized use of our forest. I frequently travel to the Gallatin National Forest even though living 1100 miles away. Me and many others head to this area for snowmobile recreation and spend alot of money in the local economies.

Alternative E provides the most return to me spending my money in that area to recreate. Let alone using our tax payer in a way that is very conservative on the environment. OSV are a very good way to enjoy the outdoors and can provide physical challenges the same as human powered recreation can. Also it is ok to have human powered recreationalists in the same areas as the mechanized and motorized areas- we can all share.

Normally I travel to the Cooke City area and support that town in the rather slow winter and spring months. The snowmobiling community brings in the neccessary money to keep the town open in the winter. Without them no one could go to the Miners for beer and pizza once the roads close for the season.

Being a big fan of Cooke City, I'm also advocating to open more areas for winter travel. Opening a zone to upper Goose Lake, Lake Abundance, Stillwater river drainage would provide a whole new experience for motorized winter explorers like myself without compromising the environment.

Don't fold up and shut down more of this great area. I'm interested in exploring many more zones such as the Crazy Mtns, Cabin Creek area, Bridger Range and would like to do so for many years to come.