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Comments: I have been hiking with pack goats in the GMUG area for 15 years. I would like to see pack goats added to the list of activities in the forest. Hiking with pack goats is an excellent way to ensure accessibility of our public lands to more people.

I would like to see the pack goat ban removed. There is no substantial scientific evidence that shows goats are a significant threat to wildlife. Considering the inclusion of sheep grazing in the NF plan, it seems unbalanced to ban goats at all.

Pack goats should also be removed from the examples on page 143 of "pathogen transmission" concerns, as there are no examples that this has ever occurred.

To help educate the public about working with pack goats on public lands, I recommend directing people towards the North American Packgoat Association's website. In particular their best management practices explain how to be responsible pack goat owners.

<https://www.napga.org/resources/best-management-practices-psr/>

-Phil