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Comments: It has come to my attention that the 300' rule for camping, firewood gathering, and the game retrieval are going to be an issue.

The amount of environmental damage caused by the 300' rule for camping is going to be extraordinary and virtually irreversible if campers are not allowed to disperse. This is evident by all the current "camping spots" which every forest user utilizes, and when full, they chose elsewhere. The elsewhere option is typically not evident once a season has passed and the area has had time to recover. The 300' camping will destroy all areas of camping within 300' of every road and trail, which is not a great outcome.

Second, firewood is a necessity of most every local resident within the Apache-Sitgreaves N.F. With the amount of wood gathered annually, the firewood will eventually become extinct. We need the option to gather firewood as far as possible and necessary, as long as we possess a valid fuelwood gathering permit and are actively gathering firewood. This is a MUST for survival within the Apache-Sitgreaves N.F. and must not be changed.

Thirdly, game retrieval. Although appreciated, utilization of off-road for elk ONLY retrieval will not suffice. We have many large game animals, which once down, the "dead weight" is astronomical. Having to pack a large bear, mule deer, bighorn sheep, etc., is beyond unimaginable when having to do so for 1/2 mile or more. We need off-road capabilities for all big game retrieval on the Apache-Sitgreaves N.F. and addressing this, as well as the other issues which I mentioned, would be greatly appreciated.