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Comments: I am writing to provide additional comments about your proposed action. Please don't do it. For your justification you write that the plan number 2 is not going to effect most visitors to the forest. You also write that those most likely to be effected would be those who like to travel to areas to "get away from it all." Isn't that one of the nicest things about going to the forest? You further indicate that dispersed camping with vehicles in the forest will be reduced by 65 percent. This proposal would be a severe restriction on the use and enjoyment of the forest for those who do want to get out and enjoy its peace and solitude and get way from the crowds. Your proposal would also discriminate against those who are physically unable to travel to these remote areas without a vehicle.

Your proposal would close an area where my family has camped for years in a responsible manner. You have not provided any scientific evidence to demonstrate that those few people camping in remote areas of the forest are causing a significant, negative impact to the environment. As you say, the reverse is actually true as most people who use the forest on these already existing roads in these remote areas, don't go to such places. The forest should remain open so people can continue to go and explore such places. Reducing dispersed camping areas by 65 percent is a terrible outcome and unjustified, unnecessary restriction on the public's use of its forest. Please don't do it. Keep the forest open as it is now. Thank you..