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Comments: I am considered a higher income taxpayer and assure you that I pay my fair share to fund public use lands. I suspect I pay considerably more in taxes than the average political activist who believes they are doing the right thing morally in restricting public use lands for what they narrow-mindedly consider appropriate for their future generations. And I also recognize that sometimes, those that are conducting land use assessment reports and submitting recommendations to restrict land use (such as this) are political land use activists. It is unfortunate that fair share in paying taxes is not considered when voting in these types of situations, however I would still like to have my voice heard as loudly as those not paying their share for public use lands.

I will on rare occasions take my children to public use lands for responsible off-roading as well as hiking and camping trips, just as my parents did with me. I suspect that I do not use public lands as much as the average activist believes they do, but that doesn't mean they have more rights to the land than I do. And I suspect that they view my utility of the land that I help to fund as destructive in that it is different than their idea of appropriate utility and they would prefer to have the utility of the lands narrowed in scope to theirs. Yes, there are irresponsible off road users of public lands, just like there are irresponsible other types of users. But I also know that there are many passionate off-road users of public lands that are actively involved in giving their personal time to maintain and preserve public lands. Please do not let those activists with the loudest voices overshadow the voices of those that are paying the much of the taxes to fund public land usage. The Chattahoochee National Forest is in my backyard and I would view it as a great loss in my rights as a taxpayer. Please keep the Chattahoochee National Forest OHV trails open.