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Comments: I am absolutely, adamantly opposed to this project in that it proposes significant road closure/decommissioning. As a longtime resident of this area, we should be striving to keep ALL existing roads open and re-designating those existing roads as open to ALL vehicles. This addresses numerous concerns as follows:

Existing roads assist the law enforcement and first responder community when emergencies in the forest arise, whether that be lost hikers, injured persons, criminal activity, etc. The better the road network the faster the response time in emergency situations.

Existing road network assists the wild land firefighter community in accessing and fighting forest fires when they happen. Maintaining the existing roads greatly reduces the time required to access and extinguish forest fires when they occur.

The existing road network makes logging operations in the forest more feasible, which boost economic opportunities in the local communities affected by this project in addition to reducing the risk of catastrophic large fires by reducing fuel loads in the forest.....the best available science indicates that thinning and fuel reduction is the best way to prevent these fires.

Last, but certainly not least, keeping roads open and re-designating road as open to ALL vehicles increases recreational opportunities in our community. This give more people the opportunity to enjoy OUR national forest and again increases economist opportunities in the area.

In cl,owing, I am again adamantly opposed to this project in its current form due to proposed road closures that are unnecessary and detrimental to the community.