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Comments: The Tonto National Forest is home to 19 threatened and endangered species, and 50 species of conservation concern. Of course, the Forest Service under the Trump administration favors grazing, mining, logging and motorized recreation to the detriment of numerous fish and wildlife species. Inventoried Roadless Areas and even the few places recommended for wilderness protection will be vulnerable to off-road vehicles.

In that regard, I urge you to take the following actions:

Designate all Inventoried Roadless Areas as non-motorized;

Manage Recommended Wilderness as true wilderness in order to preserve their chances for future designation;

Include an objective that removes all unnecessary roads over the life of the forest plan; and

Establish standards that truly protects fish and wildlife, and restores and connect their habitat.