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Comments: I have been a frequent visitor to the South Fork area during the past 25 years. I so appreciate the efforts being made both to make the area sustainable and hospitable to visitors. Like many who come to the area, I am a birder so the preservation of the site as a birding mecca is important to me.

The proposed closure of the road during the spring is of concern to me because so many of us like to visit the area in the spring when the birds are most numerous. I hope that the Forest Service will reconsider the proposal to close the road during the spring. I am sure that the visitors to the area like myself will be respectful of the habitat. If more public sensitivity is needed, public information will assure that result. Thank you for your consideration. Wendy LaRiviere