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Comments: As one who lives adjacent to the Chiricahua Mts and uses them for recreation constantly, I'm against the proposed construction of roads into the areas in question.

It appears that in the Chiricahua Public Access draft EA the long term impacts are inadequately discussed. This is a pattern with the Coronado District office in Douglas. The impacts of the immediate construction phase are only taken into account. This is shortsighted. It seems obvious that higher densities of motorized traffic will bring unwanted effects. The following list itemizes some of these:

- 1) Increased potential for accidental wildfire
- 2) Increased potential for the introduction of non-native invasive species
- 3) Increased disturbance to native plant and animal communities
- 4) Disturbance to the character of the places
- 5) Diminished enjoyment by the existing majority of users created by road noise In particular John Long Cyn is a unique place with a wildlands character. The fragility of this cannot be overemphasized. Northern Goshawk, Peregrine falcon, and a host of plant species exist there. They will certainly be impacted. Jaguar habitat mentioned in the draft EA will be adversely affected.

It was a bad idea to do this project 20 years ago and it remains a bad idea. A corollary to my opposition to this proposal is that it would waste valuable public funds that ought to be put to better use. We should be reconstructing the trail access in these areas to allow more low impact visitation by horseback and hiking. Sincerely,. Dirk Sigler