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Comments: Objection to Closures to Motorized Vehicle Use

In reviewing the potential closures of such areas, I find them to be targeted towards certain groups of people and will limit the access to popular areas, such as Wildcat Canyon, Twin Cone and the specifically the Platte River area. Based on your own criteria several of these areas are closing for no specific reason considering the USFS has reviewed them and stated the motorized trails do not receive any substantial, or little to no impact, due to motorized use. Many groups in Colorado also provide stewardship to these areas for the future generations so they can enjoy these areas for multiple uses.

Looking at your criteria, I can only assume that closures are done without regard to the American people which you serve. Your potential decision to close motorized use trails are done with the fairness and respect to the people the USFS says they will abide by. Your decisions are discriminatory and will take away use by our aging population, kids, the disabled and military veterans. Part of the job of the USFS is to connect people to the land and to make sure it is accessible to all. You are failing to meet your own standards! The USFS needs to provide access to all and not just the few. As a disabled American citizen, I deserve to have access to these areas. I have hunted, hiked, snowshoed and camped these areas and now you want to limit access. The USFS is responsible for providing all access to minorities, elderly, kids, US military veterans and the disabled. Meaning without motorized accessibility many of us will no longer be able to access these areas because you are discriminating against us! There are no valid reasons for closing these areas and you need to service all of the American people and you need to stop targeting us and allow us equal access!