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Comments: I oppose closing the forest to target shooting. I have for years used areas in the forest for shooting and I always put safety first in my activities. As rules have changed with regards to almost all aspects of what you can use as targets and where you can shoot I have tried to abide by the changes to the point of going on the Forest Service web sites every time I go shooting just to be sure I am following the latest rules. I also make it a point to leave every area I use in better shape than it was when I got there by cleaning up after my self and even picking up litter that other people have left behind.

Developing a designated shooting range in each district is a good idea but more than one would be good especially when there are already large areas that have been closed to shooting. It would also be a good idea to do some information campaigns to let people know of all the new and ever changing regulations. Using the road side electrical signs to direct people to pertinent web sites before they go shooting would also be helpful.

I realize there are vastly increasing numbers of people using the forests but no one group should be excluded because all of us pay taxes which the Forest Service then uses.

Thank you for considering my opinions in the course of developing your guidelines.