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Comments: As a life long trail user (motorized and non-motorized) and frequent user of the trails in and adjacent to the Rapid River Wild River Management area, I do not support the Forest Service proposal to change the designation of trails 183, 184, 187 and 188 in areas adjacent to the wild river corridor back to the 2009 plan. My observation of numerous boundary areas where motorized traffic changes to non-motorized, is that by eliminating a non-motorized buffer zone outside the wild river (or wilderness boundary) there are much more frequent and more damaging violations of trail use within the restricted zones than when a further buffer is used. I suggest that a buffer of at least one mile should exist between the wild river corridor and open motorized motorcycle travel in this plan. The best way to prevent motorized vehicle intrusion into the wild river area is to keep motorized traffic away from the boundary to reduce the temptation of motorized users to cross the boundary.