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Comments: Okay so reading over the revised plan for our area it says that the forest service plans to open new trails. My question is where and when are these supposed to happen? Over the last 6 months the forest service has closed pretty much every motorized trail on the main road as well as the mountain road taking you to Blanding side. Yes there were a few that were made by people instead of the forest service, that's only to achieve primitive camping and peacefulness. I think the goal of 80 miles of motorized trail and 100 miles of non motorized is completely backwards. If you were to poke the local citizens who live here and access the mountain daily you would find my statement to be true. We live in an incredibly beautiful place that already has limited access to see and to be away from public and now your closing even more our opportunities to explore our wilderness. The visitors to our mountain will use more than likely only main campgrounds and scenic main roads, and that's fine. However it's the locals who depend on the trails and being able to use the other trails to find our serenity from daily life. That's not including the need for the trails to harvest our lumber to fuel our homes for the long winters, or to provide better hunting opportunities to feed our families. I understand the need to close a few trails that may have impacted the water ways, however there needs to be a better approach for selecting which trails stay open and which to close. Thank you