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Comments: I would like to comment on the two worst proposals of the proposed project. The first is the opening up of the Quartz Creek Road (#067)as a motorized trail--open to all vehicles to the Red Mountain mining area. This area has already been pretty much lo0st to big game hunting when the whole Quartz Creek road was open to motorcycles years ago allowing motorized access upstream in nearly the entire drainage but letting all vehicles to the top of the drainage between Quartz Creek and Camp Creek on the Profile Gap side would destroy big game hunting on the Camp Creek side of the divide. I have hunted the Camp Creek drainage in the past and it is very good. If ATVs start getting to the top of the ridge and wildcat a trail where they could run the ridge uphill from the mine they could wipe out big game hunting in Camp Creek. I believe that right now they would top out on a ridge and just go into another drainage that leads into Quartz Creek itself. It is important to keep the motorized use away from the ridge between Quartz Creek and the Profile Gap road.

I would like to more fully understand where the trail is going to be in the Horse Heaven area. It is described as "New Motorized Trail." Is that exactly what it is or is it actually using an existing trail that comes up from the Riordan Lake trail and just making it more official? It is extremely important to keep motorized access from going downhill from Horse Heaven into the upper Pepper and Bishop Creek drainage.