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Comments: Dear Joshua Simpson,

On behalf of the Central Idaho Trail Riders Alliance, I offer the following response to the actions proposed in the East Fork South Fork Restoration and Access Management Plan as well as additional items we would like to see considered.

1. We are strongly in favor of the proposals put forth under Motorized access actions with the exception of the Restoration Treatment paragraph listed under Watershed Improvements. We see an ever increasing demand for UTV routes on the forest and see old mining and logging roads as potential opportunity to create routes for the UTV community. While CITRA does not claim to represent the UTV community, we feel it vital and timely to create these opportunities in the interest of public safety and a multiple use national forest.
2. We would like you to consider changing the designation of Log Mountain Trail #092 from non motorized to 2 wheel motorized. We believe this trail could provide an interesting and scenic out and back for those in the Eagle Rock area. This trail has almost disappeared due to lack of use but would take very little effort to restore due to it's high altitude location.
3. We would like you to consider changing the designation of a route which includes the lower portion of Parks Peak trail #069, Parks Peak Cutoff trail #074, and Rainbow Ridge trail #070 from non motorized to 2 wheel motorized. This route would provide access between the Parks Peak Trailhead and the junction between South Fork Sheep Creek trail #071 and Rainbow Ridge Trail #070. We believe this trail was closed to motorized access in years past due to the wishes of a past outfitter and we believe that the current outfitter has no objections to the route being motorized. There are other trails in this system we'd like to discuss but they fall outside of the project boundary.

The members of CITRA would like to thank Joshua Simpson and the staff responsible for this project that promises to provide opportunities to multiple user groups as well as resource management.