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I currently reside in Dubois and have for 21 years, where I also own a PowerSports Dealership. Our family considers themselves multi users of the forest. We hike, bike, offroad-motorcycles, atvs, and sxs, snowmobile, tracked sxs, snowshoe, and we ride horses in the backcountry. That being said whenever I participate in one of those recreational activities I think of where is best to do so depending on who and what I want to see.

There are many roads that needed loops added for off road use to keep "disrespectful" people from creating their own, which is very upsetting to me. Its also frustrating to be somewhere that is a 50" or less trail and have huge sxs come through. Signage and enforcement of this areas is a must and needs to be done properly to help keep dishonest people in line! This has been an issue in the Dubois area for a long time. More rules, openings or closures are not the issue-they do no good without enforcement of those rules!

I see the whole thing as a people problem more than anything. Its "our" forest, not "mine"! As in anything you will have people who do not care or respect others or the land, however with better signage, loops and reinforcement of the law I believe it could be better.

WE need to respect each other and work together to keep our forests clean, tread lightly and enjoy!

Lora