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Comments: Dear Joshua Simpson,

I would like offer the following comments on the actions proposed in the East Fork South Fork Restoration and Access Management Plan.

- 1. I am are strongly in favor of the proposals put forth under Motorized access actions. I am slightly concerned with the generalized comment in the Restoration Treatment paragraph listed under Watershed Improvements. With the increase in UTV users we should not consider closing back country road, but rather providing them with more opportunities to recreate in areas where roads currently exist.
- 2. I would like for Log Mountain Trail (#092), Parks Peak Trail (#069), Parks Peak Cutoff Trail (#074), South Fork Sheep Creek trail #071, Rainbow Ridge Trail (#070), and Caton Lake Trail (#093) to be considered to be opened up for Single Track motorized use. Some of these trails are partially motorized already, I am asking for the remainder to be designated as motorized single track. These trails all create fantastic loop opportunities for single track users. I believe they were closed in the past due to the wishes of an outfitter who ran a business in the area. That outfitter is no longer there and it would be in the public's best interest for those trails to be reopened for use. Many of the trails on this list have all but disappeared due to lack of use. Single track designation would allow for the trails to be used and maintained at no cost to the Forest Service.
- 3. The Sugar Creek road is not listed specifically in this plan and I know there is a lot of history and anger surrounding why this road was closed. Again, the increase in users in the our national forests has us searching for areas to send them all. Any road closure without good reason will cause user groups to be angry. I ask that the Forest Service please listen to the request to provide a valid reason for why this road cannot be used by the public, and if a reason cannot be provided, please open it back up.

Thank you for taking the time to hear public comments.

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