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I would like to express my support for Draft Option D for the GMUG forest management plan. I have lived in the GMUG since 1995, and in that time have seen an exponential increase in its use, primarily by recreators. As many of these are motorized users, the amount of national forest available for non-motorized use has diminished. Also during that same time, there has been a reduced consumption of cattle (a decrease of roughly 10 pounds per person per year). Additionally, our southwestern Colorado forests are currently suffering the adverse impacts of climate change and beetle kill, with the future impact uncertain, but likely negative. For these reasons, it seems the better 10-year stewardship plan for the GMUG would be to preserve more of the forest for non-motorized use and reduce timber extraction. Option D best meets these objectives.