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Comments: I have been cross-country skiing on the Grand Mesa for over 30 years and am a member of the Grand Mesa Nordic Council (GMNC). Cross-country skiing use on the Grand Mea is greatly growing, as is the GMNC. Please consider my comments on this plan.

The Winter Travel Map should show that all three ski trail systems, Skyway, County Line and Ward, are classified as "Oversnow Vehicles Prohibited Seasonally." This is the long-standing historic classification for these areas and should remain so.

On the 2021 Winter ROS Inventory, Alternative D is my preferred option for winter travel, as it has the greatest area of "Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized" classifications, allowing the GMNC the greatest area of non-motorized use, and the greatest potential to expand our non-motorized trails in the future.

Alternative C is less preferable, as it incorrectly categorizes the current usage of the eastern part of Ward ski area, which should remain non-motorized for winter use.