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Comments: I would like to take this time to comment on the new Forest Plan draft for the GMUG.

My comments are mostly specific to the north end of the Forest, however , I feel are applicable overall.

1. I would like to see a more balanced user group on the Forest.
2. I feel there needs to be a decrease in the focus on Mountain Biking, and a halt on any more new trails.
3. One of the most important reasons many folks used to visit the Forest was to experience solitude. It is almost impossible to find that very important place any more.
I would like to see management goals focus on bringing this important value back in non wilderness areas.
4. Identify and protect from trail system those few remaining large areas that have not been disturbed by roads and or recreation trails, for they provide solitude as well as an undisturbed habitat for wildlife.
5. Keep the "no dispersed camping " system recently implemented to its current size,
If necessary move into reservations. At its current size, it presents a quality experience on a well managed Forest.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment

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