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Comments: Comments: This letter concerns our opposition to USFS Project 60591 regarding camping proposal on 162 and 292.

We have a cabin on 292 towards Alpine.

The traffic on FS 292 and CR 292 has increased greatly. Travelers often do not follow the speed and drive too fast down this road. If wildlife or heaven forbid a child or pet is in the road they could easily be run over. On CR/FS 292 people often see how loudly they can rev their engines while driving down this road. Folks live here for the quiet and peacefulness, not to hear revving engines of loud cars or ATVs. I'd assume campers enjoy the solitude as well, but maybe not all campers.

We object to camping on 162 and 292 for the following reasons.....

Safety of campers and residents in the event of an emergency.

Camping would be too close to Chalk Creek on 292 and or possibly 162.

FIRE issues with campfires. Enough said!!

The forest service doesn't have enough man-power now to enforce rules: If proposal goes through, how will the rules be enforced without adequate man-power.

Trash, trash, trash.....We enjoy camping as well and leave no trace of us being at a campsite. However, we often see trash and personal items dumped on FS 292 that some campers apparently don't feel the need to remove. (it is a bummer because it punishes all even those that follow the rules.)

We see wildlife all the time in the FS 292 area. How will the campers affect the natural habitat of these animals? Scare them off most probably. Then we will all be without the majestic wildlife.

One way into and out of Alpine and St Elmo. Traffic along 162 and 292 is already an issue in the peak season. How can adding camping along this area help with the traffic issue. There are nice campgrounds along 162 already. Improve the reservation system to help with preventing people reserving and not showing. Then you have empty campsites and folks aren't able to book them even when they are empty and available.

Thanks for the forum to give our opinion. We appreciate the opportunity and we ask you to consider our concerns as a property owner in the Alpine area.

Thank you!