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Comments: Hello,

I have am writing to express my support for maintaining or expanding responsible motorized use in the Lolo Forest.

I have been able to enjoy the great outdoors of our area of the State for many years via snowmobiles, motorcycles and ATV's. It seems every time there is a change to the forest plan it basically means additional motorized trails are closed.

There are very few areas we have left to share with other forest users. The thing that gets me is there are literally thousands and thousands of acres of Wilderness and non motorized areas of forest that those that want to enjoy what they enjoy without sharing. Yet it never seems to be enough. Basically the way I see it is out of State money helps fund organizations or advocacy groups that are able to pay a salary to members and they are able to attend and influence the decisions and steer your decisions . Closing more of the forest down to anything other than horses and hikers.

I am not opposed to them enjoying the forest but they already have more areas that they would ever be able to enjoy in a lifetime without the influence of motorized use. They also can use any are that allow motorized use. So they basically already have the entire forest to enjoy and every plan revision usually ends in less motorized use.

I like many others that enjoy motorized sports have jobs that don't allow us to attend meetings. This email is about the best I can do. It may fall on deaf ears. I have commented many times in the past and it seems most of the time your mind is likely already made up, but at least I can voice my opinion and the next time I go to a motorcycle trail that gets closed I can say I at least commented. Please stop excluding motorized use into your plans. I would prefer you reopen areas that have already been closed but at a minimum stop the outside influences and pay attention to local residents and people that actually get out and recreate in the areas in question.

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