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Comments: Hello,

I am commenting on the RWA of GB-PW-08 for the Heart Lake, Hoodoo area.

I started riding a snowmobile is this area the winter of 1969 with my dad. We mostly spent riding the Hoodoo meadows till the snow would get setup and hard in the spring and go back into the lake areas.

Skip forward a few years and this was where I took my would be wife on our first date, and still married for 45 years

A bunch of us used to spend almost every weekend up riding either Hoodoo or Irish Basin. On average a minimum of 4 and most times 12 different riders in our group. We would get one cross county skier once and a while and he liked our tracks to get around.

I feel this area should be left open for snowmobiles because we leave only tracks on the snow and they disappear in the spring.

I have also hiked and horseback the same area in the summer and never found any trash left by a snowmobiler. Can't say that about the hikers!

As for the wildlife it is to high up, I would see coyote and cat tracks but would be on the ridge line passing thru. The goats would never leave Landowner mountain till spring.

I do believe this area should be left roadless but also so everyone will be able to use it.

I hope to be able to bring my grandkids back up there one day.