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Comments: As a long time resident and someone who has enjoyed the ability to experience what the Kootenai National Forest has to offer, right out my back door, I would strongly disagree with partially shutting down access as a resolve to the problems you guys are addressing. I've hiked, hunted, camped, fished and snowmobiled for the last 30+ years and the issue isn't recreational use. Especially winter activities, they are the least of the worries. If people who have never been here or experienced what this place has to offer as far as recreation, then they really shouldn't be poking around where they are uneducated. If you could provide solid facts and proof of the harm we are causing that would be greatly appreciated. Otherwise just let us be please.