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Comments: Looking at the KNF Forest Plan and maps there is places that should allow snowmobiling. These should not be taken away from public use. These areas have been sued by the public in the past and are popular areas for snowmobiling. These areas are not closed MA or in Big Game wintering areas. Any area's like this should be open and not taken away from Public use. Taxes are paid and the public should be able to use any area of land that is not in a restricted area.

Location 1# - Dry Creek on the Cabinet Ranger District.

Location 2# - Chicago Peak on the Cabinet Ranger District

Location 3# - Camp Creek on the Three River Ranger District.

Location 4# - Powerline/20 ODD on the Cabinet Ranger District

Snowmobilers use road rules just like any other motor vehicle. Snowmobilers can not ride on dirt as this would hurt their machine so there are no concerns with roads being damaged. Other vehicles and horses are allowed on the road so there should be no restrictions to Snowmobiles.

Allow over snow vehicle use on all open yearlong NF roads, including open roads that go through Big Game Winer Ranges. We need to manage our resources not just restrict use. Snowmobiles are no different then wheeled vehicles and they do not harass the wildlife. All Open yearlong roads to allow trapping and other recreation. People also need to be able to get to Private Land. There are many open yearlong roads that allow people to get to their property that might only be reachable in the winter by snowmobile.

Examples:

McKay Creek - Cabinet RD- Road 1022 & Road 2287 is open yearlong access to private landowner's cabin.

Beaver Peak - Cabinet RD - 2295A - open yearlong road access to private lands.

Fat Man - Cabinet RD - 2292 - open yearlong road access to private lands.

Blue Creek - Cabinet RD - 409 - open yearlong road access to private land.

Big Beaver Creek - Cabinet RD - 152 - open yearlong road access to private land.

West Fisher - Libby RD - 231 & 6746 - open yearlong road access to private land.

McGinnis/Bayhorse - Libby RD - 7150 - open yearlong road access to private land.

FDR - Libby RD - 228 - open yearlong road access to private lands.

Lower Quartz - Libby RD - 601 - open yearlong road access to private lands

Cedar Creek - Libby RD 402 - open yearlong road access to private lands in Section 35

Little Hoodoo - Libby Rd 6203 - open yearlong road access to private lands

Roads 148 and 154 are NOT secondary HWY as shown on your maps but county roads that are not maintained or plowed.

Not only will they not be able to get to private land or trap they will also not be able to get to lakes where they are legally able to fish including: Howard Lake, Spar Lake, Alvord Lake, Kilbrennan Lake, Othorp Lake, Frank Lake, Murphy Lake, Dickey Lake, Frozen Lake, Upper Stillwater Lake, Lagoni lake, Loon Lake, Sylvan Lake, Vinal Lake, Lake Koccanusa Reservoir.