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Comments: To whom this may concern

I have read through your proposal and I do not agree with the closure of over snow vehicles past April 1 for grizzly bear zones and may 1 for wolverine zones. I have spent the last 5 winters on the snow and each year out on 1,000+ Miles and spend at least 40 days per year in the back country, most being in the month of February, March and April and from then on I spend many days hunting, studying wildlife. In my travels I haven't seen any affect of snowmobiles\snow bikes. Wildlife is not being harmed and I believe that as we continue to leave no trace, I don't see why we can't continue riding the areas we love. I strongly encourage who may be reading this to re think their decision on limiting north west Montana's riding areas. I challenge you to provide evidence of snowmobiles effecting grizzly bear and/or wolverine because it's false. We ride at 5,000+ feet in elevation where there is 100" of snow from December to late may. This type of terrain is not suitable for any bear, there is no food for them or their cubs. Please reconsider this plan.

Sincerely, Braden Lowry / 56 Ignite