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Comments: As the Executive Director of a Montana Sportsmen's Organization (MTSFW), I represent our statewide members and our members are vehemently against this proposal! This proposal was poorly written and it is deceptive in nature, the outcome of this proposal if passed would severely reduce over the snow travel on the Kootenai National Forest. This would negatively impact recreationist that hunt, trap and snowmobile. This would negatively impact trappers and mountain lion hunters that recreate legally on this "PUBLIC LAND"!

The ESA listed grizzly bear seems to be at the crux of this proposal, there are no documented cases in this proposal where across the snow recreation has negatively impacted denning grizzly bears. Actually, grizzly bears are doing quite well and have met all of the recovery goals and actually have been delisted twice by the USFWS only to be relisted by a single person namely a Judge!

This land is public land and is meant to be used by the public this proposal takes away recreation opportunity that many cherish. Please allow for more input by those that use this land mainly the local residents. The green movement is very effective at litigation and sending in form letters to provide you with the perception that the majority is supportive of this proposal, but you should know there are many of us out here that absolutely look at this as a loss of our ability to use our "PUBLIC LANDS"!