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Comments: Generally, things seem to be working well as they are, though I agree with the perspective that areas that are currently "closed" that did not go through proper legal proceedings in the past, should be re-opened to OSV travel.

I disagree with the minimum snow depth requirements. As long as travel is safe and does not inhibit or damage the surroundings in any discernible / permanent manner, then "sufficient snow to travel" or "bare ground sufficient to briefly travel on as needed to access snow for OSV recreation" seems perfectly reasonable.

Roads that OSVs may briefly travel on will need to be maintained regularly regardless of whether OSVs travel on them or not. Winter in the high country after all, does most of the road damage, not road vehicles or OSVs. EG, if tractor trailers with massive snow chains are driving around standard roadways to do snow removal, which of course they are as required, then why shouldn't a lighter weight OSV be allowed to intermittently/briefly use such roads as needed to access snow for OSV recreation?

This keeps in mind that most of the high desert is made up of very tough, persistent perennial sage and desert flower perennials that are some of the most durable plant matter on Earth.

I also think it is always and ever important to draw a line between caring about the environment and "environmental zealotry". Being concerned about OSV travel for a frog that hibernates during the winter, prescribes itself to the latter. Let's keep our sanity intact here!