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Comments: Inyo National Forest,

I have reviewed your proposed action for Subpart C of the OSV Designation. In general I am in favor of the boundaries I see on the maps that have been provided. It is very close to what visitors and locals have become accustomed to over recent years.

However, there is one big change near the Town of Mammoth Lakes that I object to. There appears to be a new OSV trailhead at the entrance to New Shady Rest Campground. The accompanying trail leading out toward Shady Rest Park cuts right through the center of what is now a designated non-motorized area. People who currently enjoy the area for quiet sports recreation will be displaced and forced out to the edges of the parcel.

Another issue for the proposed OSV alignment is that it will cross the plowed Sawmill Cutoff Road twice creating a new hazard for motorists and snowmobiles.

The Town of Mammoth Lakes has often had problems grooming the ski trails after storms. Under this continuing likely scenario, it puts everyone leaving the new proposed trailhead (skiers, snowshoers, dog walkers, fat bikes and snowmobiles) on the same narrow trail with two-way traffic. This is not safe either and would likely create more conflict among users.

Please consider a proposed action that would not include another OSV trailhead at this location and keep it at Shady Rest Park.

Thank you,
Keith Dawley