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Comments: As a frequent user of the areas cited in the proposal, I am against issuing an approval for the significant increase in service allocation days. Please consider the primary concerns cited below.

A major consideration that needs to be addressed is the limited access points to the proposed action project area.

Trailhead access points utilized by outfitters are limited, many of which are small, creating reduced access if trailhead sites are clogged. Additionally, many of these sites have limited turn radius points, creating risks when coming in with multiple trailers hauling stock. Indeed, the proposal set forth calls out this risk (page 13, Table 5), yet the attempt to mitigate or downplay the risk to current users is highlighted in the report as "The ROS coefficient does not address visitor use patterns, existing infrastructure, and site-specific variables such as access, popularity, user conflict, or overlapping uses." (page 13).

This is a very significant flaw in the proposal that needs to be addressed before action to approve increase permits or declination to approve permits is concluded.

To be clear, the capacity of the overall land is a different metric than access to that land. Addressing the access points and the risks of increasing the service allocation days 13,175 to 33,416 is indeed warranted and necessary to maintain access for the general public that frequent the areas cited in the proposed action areas.

As such, again, I am against issuing an approval for the significant increase in service allocation days

Respectfully,

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