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Comments: I Support Access and Active Management in the Northwest Forest Plan

Dear Northwest Forest Plan,

I appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback for the Northwest Forest Plan.

I am concerned with the management of the northwest forest roads. See the 1868 Lode Mining Law and FLPMA regarding the RS2477 roads. I believe any road, trail or passage used by miners cannot be closed if it was established prior to FLPMA, and in fact, miners are able to maintain those roads and trails and bill the federal government 50% of the maintenance costs.

Mining Districts are real and active, and so are the Congressional acts that govern them. All U.S. citizens have the right to locate minerals on federally-managed lands and it is within the duty of the BLM and USFS to assist the development of those locations.

The several Mining Districts must have a seat at the table of federal land policies that affect the land within the boundaries of their districts. The Galice Mining District looks forward to future communications which notify of upcoming policy discussions that affect the District.

Sincerely,

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