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Comments: Please do not allow logging or motorized vehicles in the rattlesnake corridor. This will severely alter the nature of our national recreation zone, and change it into a commercial zone. Missoula is home to nature lovers, bikers, hunters, campers, birders who LOVE the rattlesnake for what it is now. The user should be the priority, not extraction opportunities. The corridor is already heavily affected by the traffic it sees on foot and spoke. Please manage this area with delicacy and concern for preserving the environment for future generations.

As someone who used to work trails in the rattlesnake, we would get the dirtiest looks from people as we drove our rigs (slowly, so as to not kick up dust) down the road. Public opinion of Missoula RD will shift in an extremely unfavorable way if this area is opened up to logging and motor vehicles.