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Comments: This project also has significant negative impact on non-motorized snow play in the area, which has very high demand in the winter months, and it is the time of year when such usage has minimal impact on wildlife. In the last few years, all of the snow play areas have had significant problems with having enough parking for cars up there, resulting in folks parking in dangerous and illegal locations. This will get worse if this project removes access, as is outlined in the communications that have come out from the project backers.

We can have the benefits that this project outlines, AND allow continued non-motorized access during the winter.

I support all of the points made by the Cascade Backcountry Alliance here https://www.cascadebackcountryalliance.com/post/long-term-closure-of-gold-creek-valley