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Comments: I'm a nordic skier and backpacker.

The project has not considered the importance of outdoor recreation. Closing off Forest Service land will have a negative impact on those who use and live in this area.

My concern about this project is the lack of input from Recreation Groups , outdoor enthusiasts including nordic and back country skiers, snowshoers, families with children who play in the snow, people who walk in the outdoors, and additional groups representing people with disabilities (Gold Creek is the one accessible paved trail in the area ), and home owner groups.

THIS INPUT IS CRITICAL.

Current recreation sites - for example, existing sno-parks at Cabin Creek, Gold Creek, Crystal Springs and Hyak - are vastly overcrowded demonstrating the importance of outdoor recreation to an already large and increasing number of people.

This project needs to include input from the groups identified above to create a TRULY VIABLE PLAN.