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Comments: I am opposed to the for profit ski huts but I am all for the snowmobiles safety shelter!

For the proposed ski huts, there are many reasons why I am opposed to them. As a snowmobiler I am opposed to them being placed on our groomed trails. This will create user conflict between user groups on our groomed trail system. The non-motorized groups have access to ALL the wilderness areas, have these huts placed elsewhere.

These huts (unlike the snowmobile clubs hut) would be solely for the profit of the individual. -The huts would bring in excess traffic to our groomed trail system but not add money to funding to the motorized grooming program. In addition, these individuals don't even help maintain the road systems they want to use. Roads need repairs (pot holes, sluffing, erosion to name a few) that the snowmobile clubs do yearly. Will these companies be required to help or pay to have repairs done? The road systems that these huts are proposed for also have NO parking lots. All parking is on road. Where will all the extra vehicles go? And will the companies be insuring that their patrons are purchasing a motorized snow park permit? Again, since these are for non-motorized activities they should be placed in area designated for non-motorized only.

There has been nothing said in the proposal about waste management. The FS refuses to pump out the bathrooms at these locations for the snowmobile clubs, but they're willing to do it for the skiers? This does not seem fair or equitable. And will the companies be paying for the pumping of the outhouses, since they are a for profit company? Tax dollars should not be paying for them to get clean bathrooms for a sole profit sport.

I am against the ski huts. The snowmobiles safety shelter, I am 100% for that. This will be a nonprofit organization. Built and maintained solely from volunteer's time and money. The snowmobile huts are open to ALL to use 24/7. (Per our other contracts with the FS, we are not allowed to rent them out, they have to be unlocked at all times, and no overnight camping is permitted). This hut is great for all user groups and is accessible to all so that you can get warm on the hill and provide an essential safety area when needed.