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Comments: I am a pagosa springs native and long-time backcountry skier, snowshoer, nordic skier, fat biker and snowmobiler.

During the winter, I often use Lobo, the area around Wolf Creek towards Alberta Lake, Big Meadows and the area around Pass Creek huts for non-motorized activities. I want to voice my concern over the expansion of OSV usage towards and into these areas (and similar areas which I do not personally use). I believe that having separate areas for vehicular and non-vehicular recreation improves the safety and experience for all users of the national forest. I also believe that protecting accessible areas for non-motorized travel encourages more people to get outside, which has positive benefits for both the health and happiness of local residence but also encourages tourism which is vital to all of the towns in the area.