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Designating specific uses for national forest trails is essential to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all visitors, particularly non-motorized users such as cross-country skiers, snowshoers, and backcountry skiers. By establishing clear guidelines for trail usage, we can minimize conflicts between different user groups and protect the integrity of these natural spaces. Snowmobile use on trails designated for non-motorized traffic can disrupt the serene atmosphere sought by those engaging in quieter activities, leading to safety concerns and environmental damage from excessive noise and exhaust emissions.

Implementing designated use policies helps preserve the unique experience that non-motorized visitors seek when exploring national forest trails. By providing separate areas or specific times for snowmobile use, we can safeguard the tranquility of these environments and maintain the pristine conditions desired by cross-country skiers, snowshoers, and backcountry enthusiasts. This approach promotes harmony among diverse recreational interests, fostering a sustainable balance between motorized and non-motorized activities while ensuring that everyone can enjoy the beauty of our national forests responsibly.

Have you ever mountain biked a trail where side by sides were allowed? It's unsafe, loud, and makes for such an awful ride you just avoid these roads all together.

There's a lot of comments about snowmobiles being the only vessel a disabled person can visit the outdoors but that is untrue. There is adaptive cross country skiing and downhill.