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Comments: I am very concerned about the plans laid out for the CARLA project.

Variable Density Thinning in Evans Creek is planned around the majority of the trails. Heavily thinned areas would be 50 trees per acre and gaps would be openings of .25 acres. It still needs to be a tight trail system. Collaboration will need to be done to make sure proper barriers are created to block trails and ensure riders stay on the trails. Trails need to remain tight and challenging to ensure the motorized recreation gets the experience they have created. Money and time have been committed to make Evans Creek what it is today.

One of the major Fuel Management Zones is planned for Evans Creek. Within 200' of the centerline they plan to do heavy thinning. This will make the surrounding trail feel like they are no longer in the woods and be in the area of a popular trail. Please look for a better solution and/or location.

Aquatic Organism Passages: there are many potential sites are identified including a road closure. Closure isn't management. We need to find a balance like bridges etc to mitigate the problem.

Evans Creek is ultimately planned to be used as the Transportation System to make this happen. When questioned, the plan is the outer lying mostly road trails. They will be made logging truck ready and returned to be used as trail when complete. There needs to be a timeline to accomplish the tasks so OHV is not significantly impacted. In the plan it says the roads will be returned to Level One, which is Basic Custodial Care (Closed) vs Level One OHV. They should be returned to OHV and in the same condition they were prior. An open logging road is entirely different than a trail. This should be built in the plan with the Timber Companies in their contracts.

Recreation

I would like to see year-round options available for all motorized recreation.

Coplay Lake + Other Trails

Fix the bridge is the only option that should be considered. Closure isn't management and any closure has a significant impact on those who have disabilities and ensure they can still use the outdoors.

Putting up an a gate at FR 7820 to protect East Lake area is unfair to those with disabilities. Closure isn't management. Patrol the area, natural barriers, signage, education etc.

Carbon River Dispersed Camping Ban

Again, closure isn't management. Ticketing and removing those treating the land poorly. Just because a few treat the land bad doesn't mean it should be removed for all.

Sincerely,

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