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Comments: South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks would like to submit comments on the Buffalo Forest Health Project. Our Black Hills Trails Office has reviewed the project and would like the following comments to be considered for this project.

The Black Hills Snowmobile trail season begins on December 1 and concludes on March 31. This project has several areas that would impact snowmobile trails by plowing of trails/roads on the actual trail system. We would like to recommend that this project consider halting any enhancements and road plowing for this project that will impact the trail system during the snowmobile season. The 350-mile Black Hills Snowmobile trail system is one of the top trail systems in the Nation. The Black Hills trails is considered a destination for snowmobilers and having parts closed will not only impact snowmobilers but local businesses as well.

Thank you for considering our comments on this project. The contact person for the Snowmobile Trails is Shannon Percy with the Black Hills Trails Office.

Thank you for your consideration.