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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your proposedcampground changes requiring camping in designated areasonly, eliminating the intermediate dispersed camping thatcurrently exists. If I have this correct it is Project 60591If I understand correctly, this would create a new campgroundin an area that currently is open to intermediate dispersedcamping located west of the Cottonwood Lake camp ground.I own 7 acres of land just on the south side of county road 344.It begins near the west end of the existing camp ground. Sothese changes affect our property as well.We have owned this land for over 30 years and enjoy andappreciate this area. The space you are considering for acamp ground has been over used for many years and ona holiday weekend it is like a small city with no utilities likea restroom. So we applaud your decision to bring this areato a reasonable camping space for campers.However, we and the other landowners in that area feel thatdoing this will push more campers onto our lands. We alreadyhave to confront campers who attempt to camp on our property,which at times becomes an antagonist confrontation. We wouldlike your planning department to consider eliminating intermediumdispersed camping from the area west of the existing CottonwoodLake Campground to Road 344C. There already is no campingallowed on the south side of 344C along this area and huge bouldershav been place there to stop campers.The land we own is on the south side of 334 and a bit further westthere is private land, 20 acres on the north side of 344C.In addition, there are two cabins on forest lease agreements in this area.Campers are continually trespassing onto this land causing numerousencounters between campers and the landowners. In addition, thecampers leave behind trash and human waste on our land.Our request is that you please consider prohibiting camping on thenorth side of CR344 from the existing Cottonwood Lake Campgroundto CR344C a distance of approximately one half mile. This wouldmaintain the quality of Cottonwood Lake Campground, eliminateconfrontations with land owners and maintain the quality of theforest for the public.Please let me know you received this and I would welcome theopportunity to speak with you or meet with you at your convenience.And if meeting at the site would be beneficial, I would welcome thatopportunity also.Thank you.Gayle and Sharon Zonnefeld