

Data Submitted (UTC 11): 6/29/2026 6:07:50 PM

First name: Carrie

Last name: Bignell

Organization:

Title:

Comments: A concern I have is the traffic that will increase on the Ophur and Snowshoe road. The roads are plenty busy as is and if it increases it will affect our cows and the safety of us driving cattle horseback, and in trailers. The reason it will affect our cows is because if they get on that road (which they do often) and someone in a vehicle gets behind them on the road majority of the time the cattle have no place to get off the so people follow them and then at the end of the road in Ophur is a double cattle guard and the cows or calves have and will end up in it with a broken leg. We have had several animals hit on this road or pushed into the cattle guard over the years just with the current traffic flow. In the summer months when it is dry too the dust that calves consume from that road gets in their lungs and can cause pneumonia as well. We are also moving cows horseback on both roads several times a year and with the traffic that will come in from mine workers that will make it more dangerous to get the cattle moved. If the road becomes paved that makes it more likely for a cow to slip on and horses as well. Again with the traffic we haul cattle up and down each road and it is not a very wide road and the Snowshoe road has several dangerous blind spots as is. Last year there were two different ranchers hauling up snowshoe with a total of 8 trailers passing one another was dangerous.