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Carlos Gonzales,

I enjoy recreating and accessing public lands. I believe our public lands are crucial to our American culture and preserving access is important as a nation. Responsible access to public lands is important to me and many others in our community. I appreciate

the opportunity to comment on the Rio Grande National Forest Over-Snow Travel Management Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

I strongly support selecting Alternative 3 as the foundation for the Final Environmental Impact Statement, while incorporating select provisions from Alternative 4 where they improve connectivity and recreational opportunity without unnecessarily reducing access.

Alternative 3 provides the best balance between complying with the Forest Service's Over-Snow Travel Management Rule and maintaining meaningful over-snow vehicle recreation across the Rio Grande National Forest. By designating approximately 1.2 million acres

for cross-country over-snow vehicle use and approximately 738 miles of designated routes, Alternative 3 pr

Sincerely,

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