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Comments: Attention fire restoration project Olive Butte and Anthony .

I was notified about a fire restoration project in the 2026 fire damage areas of Anthony Lake and Olive Butte fire area that would affect snowmobile trails being plowed and occupied by commercial traffic for the 2026/27 winter. Snowmobiling is a short season already. It is extremely calming to enter a snow area and not be occupied by general traffic and only other snowmobilers that respect the trails and forest lands. I frequently use the snowmobile trails around the Anthony lakes area and Sumpter trails to get in some great riding. The snowmobile clubs have taken care of maintaining the trails and the safety of the snowmobile riders. I would hate to see this disruption of the snowmobile trails being plowed for commercial traffic. To me it would use more energy and resources to attempt winter restoration harvesting of trees due to the snowfall amounts that the restoration and logging companies have to use to plow snow and get into areas with 8 plus feet of snow.
So please wait until the spring to start any restoration projects that would affect the snowmobile trails being plowed in the Olive Butte and Anthony Lake/Butte fire damage areas.

Thank you,
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