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For public comment about expanding the

Wilderness Category within Torrance County, New Mexico and nearby areas

within the Cibola National Forest.

I am concerned that fresh evaluations of Forest Service lands for the possibility of specifying added areas as Wilderness will have many bad and undesirable consequences for the current and the future populations here.

With the 50th year of the program, I understand why this is being considered when citizens have enjoyed "the outdoors". I believe that current designations within the Cibola District are plenty and that to increase area will not help the people in and around Project D4, ADJ1 - 8.

Here in Central New Mexico, we depend on the forests to make oxygen from carbon dioxide, yet still be the natural holding means for water to be stored underground. We also need to increase the aquifer.

The ban of any motorized vehicle within the many areas will stop thinning of the forest to keep it healthy. Now and then removal of light-weight brush that becomes VERY flammable. We do not want to contribute fuel to any wildfires.

Thanks for reading my concerns.

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