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To: Ashmead, Phyllis -FS

Subject: Stanislaus NF Over-Snow-Vehicle use plan

To: Stanislaus OSV Team,

Writing to express my concerns about the increase in acreage that will be allowed to be used by snowboarders under proposals that your team is considering.

In particular, The Stanislaus Forest Plan prohibits any motorized use in "Near Natural" roadless areas on the Forest. So why is the Forest Service considering opening up several key Wilderness-eligible areas to snowmobile travel?

Opening up new areas to snow mobiling will increase stress on endangered animals in these areas and ruin the experience of snowshoers and skiers. Also-does the forest service have sufficient budget to police and patrol this expanded area?

Please reject proposals to expand OSV areas in the Stanislaus NF.

Thanks,

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