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To: Ashmead, Phyllis -FS

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Subject: Snowmobiles

Dear Ms. Ashmead,

I am writing to express my concern about opening wild, roadless areas to snowmobiles. I have two main complaints.

1. These loud vehicles completely disrupt the enjoyment of peaceful wild places for people on snowshoes or cross-country skis. There are plenty of roads on the national forest for these vehicles; why must they be allowed to go virtually everywhere, spoiling the enjoyment of other people?
2. It certainly seems likely that snowmobiles could easily stress sensitive species like the red fox and marten. We should be responsible and restrict the usage of snowmobiles to less sensitive areas.

Thank you for considering my concerns.

Mike Skutches

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