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To The Shoshone National Forest Travel Management Planning Staff,

I am 14 years old and started out in a snowcoach along with my sister and our chocolate lab Jackson, being pulled by my Dad on a snowmobile. I am on my second snowmobile which was handed down from my Mom. My family and I love snowmobiling! We are members of the Sweetwater Snowpokes. My family has had our membership for approximately 12 years.

Please read my comments on the proposed dates for the snowmobile season (proposal SHO-02w). I feel that there is no need for dates to start and finish our season. My family has discussed this and I cannot understand how this would be good for the snowmobilers or for the trails? I see animals using the trails also. If you stop the trails from being groomed too early, this could cause a stress to the animals as well. It is much easier to walk on a groomed trail than to plow through the snow. Also I think most people can figure out whether there is enough snow to ride or not. Also I was told that there is already rules in place to fine a person who cannot figure it out. 36 CFR 261.15(h) states, "it is prohibited to operate any vehicle off Forest Development, State, or County Roads in a manner which damages or unreasonably disturbs the land, wildlife, or vegetative resources." This is the rule that the SNF could use to cite someone for causing resource damage if using a snowmobile off trail when there isn't enough snow. How many rules do you need that is for the same law breaking?

Thank you for creating the new Painter trail (proposal NZ-4w)! We have not had a chance to ride over in this area yet so we are excited to try a new trail along with everyone else! Thanks so much for creating new trails for us to explore!

I know there was a study done by University of Wyoming. My Mom was excited to get a study to fill out. She had to figure out what it cost us to snowmobile the weekend before she filled it out. I was surprised at what just one weekend costs my parents. We are fortunate to be able to enjoy this sport! Please remember what this money does for the State of Wyoming.

I want to thank you for your continued support of this sport. Thank you for taking the time to ask for our opinions and to actually take them into consideration.

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