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Land Management Plan for Mancos/Dolores Ranger District...

Debbie Kill, (Please don't "Kill" motorized trail routes...LOL)

I had to do it, Sorry!

Loss of motorized access to the Winter trail is allegedly based on user conflicts with non-motorized community. I do not believe this is proper as there is a long history of motorized usage on the route and there is a small and vocal opposition to the motorized access to the area. Please listen to the "Locals".

Seasonal closures of routes for wildlife issues should only be in areas where there is winter range for deer and elk. Closure of the entire district will not benefit wildlife as most of the district is not winter range. Do your impact studies before making final decisions.

Loss of motorized access to the Ryman Creek Trail is significant- while I and the locals understand maintenance issues in the area, options to maintain motorized access should be explored.

We need to vigorously support proposed new motorized trails in the plan to avoid possible loss of these routes.

For these reasons and many more related to the Delores area specifically, please look to your LOCAL community members and forest users to manage the area at risk for losing travel routes for ALL involved.

We as motorized users in Summit County have crossed the same bridge you are approaching. In the recent years we have implemented many plans, working with the County Commissioners, Forest Managers and local user groups of ALL kinds to make a more user friendly area for all to enjoy!

Please understand the repercussions you will create by closing trails and routes rather than listening and working with community members on both sides of the spectrum.

I am sure you will be able to find the group of motorized users, summer and winter, in your district to help with designing the plan of trail routes to be acceptable for ALL!

Please let keep me in the loop of the positive progress I know you can attain.

Check our Summit County operational plans that have helped us overcome obstacles in our area between non and pro motorized groups.

Ken Waugh is one to speak with that has a plethora of knowledge of the operations and plans that have been implemented in our area in our Silverthorne Forest office. One instance and contact info are here for you to review. Please contact Ken to find out more of how to do what we have done.

http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/whiteriver/news-events/?cid=FSBDEV3_001283

Here is an another attachment that is an instance as to how things can work for ALL!

<http://www.summitdaily.com/news/7635818-113/road-group-county-summit>

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Rover, Jack, Cooper, & Ivy Pederson.

Responsible Off Road Enthusiast FAMILY.

Summit County Off Road Riders (Co founder, Rover)

American Motorcyclist Association (Life Member)
Trail Preservation Alliance (Supporter/ Member)
COHVCO Member (Member)
Blue Ribbon Coalition (Member)
Friends of the Dillon Ranger District (Member, active participant)

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