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Non-Motorized on Bear Creek

Dear Ms. Kill: I spent most of my life growing up in Central Virginia, in view of the Blue Ridge Mountains. I now live in Cortez, Colorado, in view of the LaPlata Mountains. About four percent of Virginia is public lands while over eighty percent of Montezuma County is public lands. I believe in diversity and motorized vehicles are part of that diversity, throughout the United States of America. It would seem to me that with all of the areas that allow motorized vehicles, the U.S. Forest Service would use some common sense. Common sense being that once you open another and another and another and another area to motorized vehicles, it will never revert to the quiet and unspoiled area that it was once. Furthermore, the federal government keeps taking on more land in the private land buyouts knowing that they do not have the budget or staff to manage them properly. Disrespectful trespassers drive into areas already that are off limits and there is very little done to enforce the regulations. Give yourself a high five and preserve a small part of the Dolores River Drainage and Bear Creek.

Thank you, Mitchell Toms 214 N Washington Street Cortez, CO 81321