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Comments:

King mountain offers Idaho residents and visitors a one-of-a-kind recreational opportunity which there are far too few of in this country. These types of areas continue to close to the public, creating less opportunities to be out in the forest learning about it and respecting it. If too many of these places are closed to light traffic activity such as hang gliding and paragliding, the community loses its character and youth become a stranger to the wilderness. There's a lot of history of flying at King mountain. It's a special place for flying and we would all be devastated if I access was restricted. Flying is a very low impact activity. Most pilots are courteous and have a leave no trace mentality. Designating the king mountain area wilderness could potentially create unintended consequences. Leave it open so we can enjoy it and have a solid flying site! Flying sites are hard to come by, few and far between at best. The community, the pilots, the people of Idaho and the United States need King Mountain open for public use and not designated Wilderness.

Thank you for your consideration.