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Re: Off-Highway Vehicle Emphasis Area

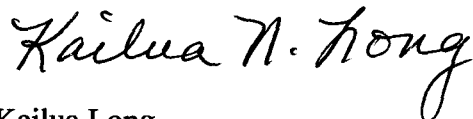
To Whom It May Concern:

It has been brought to my attention that BLM is considering using the land next to my home as an off road play area. I am adamantly opposed to such a change in the land use.

The use of ATVs and motorcycles in such a delicate forest area would be very destructive. There would be increased fire hazards, trash accumulation, road damage, noise pollution, traffic problems, forest degradation, disruption of our residential neighborhood, loss of property values, and negative impacts on the ecosystem. How will the watersheds be impacted?

I have lived here 26 years and this area should not be used in this manner. The BLM roads are gated and blocked off from access. The roads are not standard widths or maintained regularly. This area could only be damaged from such use. I personally believe that individuals coming from outside the area will not be good sheperds of this fragile land. I know I would not be able to use the forest as it has been -a multiple use area. Please consider placing an off road vehicle area in a more appropriate location.

Respectfully,



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