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To: BLM Phoenix District

I wish you people would remember that #1 its the peoples land not the goverments. I've watched for the last 40 yrs as you slowly take more + more land away from the people. You close roads that our taxes paid to build, I'm the type of person that would rather spend 2wks in the wilderness than 2wks in a penthouse. I've camped, fished, + Hunted in some of the most remote areas in the West + Alaska. I'm sixty one yrs old pretty Good Health, but I cant walk 100 miles any more. I've used ATVS to out in the Bush for the last 25yrs. The soft rubber tires leave no more of a footprint than a herd of Elk or cattle. Now I can no longer use the lands I've enjoyed all my life because you now call them Wilderness Areas. News Flash they have always been Wilderness Areas, I've spent wks to months at a time in these places and never seen another human. Theres absolutely no reason to close existing roads + trails to modern transportatio The abusers want some place 20 minutes out of town to go crazy, do jumps + speed around, so designat a couple Hundred acres for that an those people will be Happy. Its not right to punish all of America because of a few rotten apples. Now that you have taken the access away from the places that I love, I'm left with some places in National + state forest lands

that have nice paved roads or graded dirt rds. half of these have gates across them. Every time I go camping, I come back with at least 6 large bags of garbage that I're stopped to pick up on the roads or at someones previous campsite. If it wasn't for my 4 wheeler I wouldn't be able to pack out the other peoples garbage. There have always been Humans with no respect for anything there will always be, But there are alot more like me that need access to clean up after them. The people that destroy + pollute don't care about your laws or rules, block off a road or trail with a berm or cable they go around make a way to get to the same road you just Blocked. 15 yrs ago when I'd be parked off the road picking up trash, the guys in the goverment trucks would stop thank you, for picking up, some would even help you. Today they stop threaten to ticket you for pulling too far off the road. When you ask them (since you're being paid to be out Here) why they don't pick up the garbage. Typical replay is Not my Job Man! Unions should not be in public service Jobs, But thats another topic My point is a road or trail Does hurt or Diminish the beauty of the land in any way. In fact if your out there enough you will see the game

using those very same roads. Its not the roads + access to our lands that destroy it. Its the plastic pampers, Beer Cans, + most prevalent today is plastic water bottles. We don't need more regulations + more restricted access, we need you to enforce the litter Laws. How about manatory sentence of Six months - 8hrs day picking up trash if youre caught littering - screw the fines most people would just rather Pay.

Now I'm reading that Your considering not only limiting access but also usage. In paticular shooting of fire arms on BLM land. This is ridiculous. I was nine when my grandfather bought me my 1st rifle. I grew up on 15 acres I learned to shoot on that property, because the city grew up around us, that property is now within city limits. I can no longer practice on my own property now. A firearm is useless if you don't know how to use it. Its also dangerous, if you don't know how to use it. I taught my children to shoot on My lands My Grandchildren on BLM land, since the goverment has seen fit to tell me what I can do on my own land. I dont have much choice. Neither Myself, my children, my grandchildren shoot Stop Signs Trees, Buildings - nor any animal that we dont eat. I've carried a gun since I was 11yrs old, in town

in woods, wherever Im at, just as the constitution garanties me the right to do. I've never had to shoot a human and hope I never have too. I have twice had to kill in the woods. once the protect myself, once to protect my daughter. In both of those occaisons I had to act quickly + with accuracy. If I had not practiced my shooting skills, my daughter and myself would be Dead.

If you pass this legislation about no shooting on BLM land, then next will be state lands, already I cant shoot on my own property, then where will one shoot? No Where! or is that the real agenda?

This is nothing more than Back Door Gun Control. We have a bill of rights in this country. Please keep that in mind, Do not allow the current Administation to sidestep our constitution our honor and our Liberty

Thank You

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P.S. It might just start in Arizona but once it gets going it will certainly Spread