RECEIVED
JAN 09 2008

1795

Last year I purchased 33 beautiful Forest Resource acres with Thompson Creek running through it. The creek is crystal clear. I am building my home to retire there.

Two years ago I moved from Arizona where I lived on 40 acres surrounded by National Forest of Juniper & Piñon Pine. It was the high desert area. I built a passive solar house off the grid and so lived on Sun & Wind Power.

The last 8 years that I lived there the OHV started riding that area. They did not stay on the roads as they were supose to and in no time at all they completely changed the landscape. They ran over everything they could. They made ruts diverting water

were it was needed by plant + Tree life

They littered, polluted both air + noise, somedays the dust was like fog in the air.

They did not respect private property and were very obnoxious and usually drinking. What they destroyed could not and can not be repaired or restored with money. They packed it in and left it. Soon other people found the roads they made and were able to dump their Trash conveniently.

As for Logging I see Logging Trucks going both ways on highway 199 and past my present home on Rockydale Rd. all day long. Please don't increase logging. The Northwest has been abused for a long time until the Northwest Forest Plan was adopted. It is a responsible Plan.

The WOPR is a plan for the abuse of Forest and its Citizens of this area

Thanks

Gary Norton
7617 Rockydale Rd
CAVE Junction OR
97523