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I'm writing in regards to the BLM's RMP/EIS. I am a OHV enthusiast and feel that alternative D would benefit more people in Wyoming than any other plan. The OHV community is growing every year. More designated trails and open riding areas are desperately needed. Not just a few existing two track roads that are easy to inventory but motorcycle and ATV specific trails. This has never been more evident than it is today. Just a drive out to Poison spider riding area on any given Sunday in the summer where you will see up to 60 different users all jammed in 186 acres, 1/2 of which is an old open pit mine. Plan D specifies that 186 acres will be enlarged to 256 acres. Even though this is better than nothing it is still pretty weak. This riding area needs to be 5 times this big to accommodate the amount of people using it now not to mention how many will be using it in 5 years. I also believe that there is a need for more than one open riding area and much larger than the 186 acres that is available now. This second area needs to be a minimum of 600 acres or more to handle future growth in this segment of outdoor recreation. There is also a need for challenging motorcycle specific and ATV specific trails to be inventoried and designated. The use of OHV enthusiast to help layout and inventory would assure the quality of these trails. In conclusion I do not agree completely with any one of these plans, but I do feel that altern would be the best choice of what has been offered. Regards, Jay Stewart 192east 22nd Casper, W82601 Mem

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