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The Fremont County ATV Association is a 140 member group of ATV owners and riders working with County, Federal and State agencies to improve and enhance the ATV experience. This association was formed in 1989.

On behalf of the membership of the Fremont County ATV Association, we would like to offer these comments on the Lander RMP/EIS Draft.

The first comment relates to the size and complexity of this draft RMP/EIS. The late date of the available hard copies has made it very hard for our membership to even look at this draft. This draft is too large for anyone in the public sector to read and absorb within the allotted time even with the time extension. It is felt by the majority of this association, the volumes of information in the RMP/EIP are intended to discourage and frustrate BLM users to not submit comments. This document, attachments and narratives could have been condensed by the editors into summaries easier for the general public to review and understand.

The following comments presented are to the BLM preferred Alternative D, no consideration has been given to Alternatives B and C.

Our association is opposed to any additional acres being closed to motorized travel regardless of the specific use. Wilderness Study areas in particular (Copper Mountain, Sweetwater Canyon, Split Rock, Lankin Dome, Miller Spring, and Savage Peak) are not supported due to the conditions set forth by the specific study. These areas have very little to no access and don't need the additional protection. The Johnny Behind the Rocks and the Bus @ Baldwin Creek recreation proposals are examples of micro management of recreation areas and without significant law enforcement presence will not change from what they are today.

Our association is opposed to the Intensive Shooting and Off Road Designation being considered for the Government Draw area. Shooting and ATV recreation are not compatible.

The BLM contacts we have called with questions on our research have been helpful and understanding. If they weren't able to answer a question, they found the person who could and a follow up call was made.

Thank you for considering our comments on the recreation portion of this RMP/EIS Draft. As stated in an earlier comment, this document is just too large for us to identify each concern and make comment to these individual concerns.

Respectfully Submitted

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