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Submission for the investigation "Central West Investigation"

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Description:

RE. OPPOSITION TO RECOMMENDATIONS IN VEAC CENTRAL WEST INVESTIGATION DRAFT PROPOSALS PAPRE I conduct trips and camping with my family in connection with a four-wheel-drive club and other like-minded families in the regions impacted by the proposal. I feel the multiple use management of these forests has served our community well in the past, and these forests are a critical resource from a social, economic and tourism perspective. I feel the current protections in the area are effective in managing any risks to vegetation or habitat. I would welcome any work to enhance camping facilities and tracks in the region, since the forests are a great resource. I do not support further restrictions on access or use to the area, and I feel that the draft VEAC recommendations to reclassify public land as national park or restrict access to public land is not in line with community expectations. My family and friends have build a strong community culture around recreational pursuits in the area (such as camping, horseriding, four wheel driving and hunting) that would be restricted and banned under the proposal. I believe the region is already meeting community expectations as a multipurpose resource, and there is no compelling case for change. Kind Regards, Tim Kohlman

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