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I am upset that the Forest Supervisor continues to ignore the American public and the Oregon Congressional Delegation in the planning process re ORV's.

Why are the values of those of us who appreciate botanical diversity and roadless wildlands unimportant to the Forest Service? How should we make those values heard other than participating in the NEPA planning process and contacting our elected officials?

I agree with the 2009 letter from Representative DeFazio and Senators Wyden and Merkley to the Forest Supervisor Conroy requesting that lands proposed for wilderness designation by the Forest Service not be designated as off-road vehicle routes.

I also agree that the Forest Service should re-think its "plan amendments" to open protected botanical areas, research natural areas, and backcountry non-motorized areas to off-road vehicle use.

Isn't 4,500 miles of roads available for motorized recreation enough? There is simply no need to open botanical areas, roadless areas, and research natural areas to the 2% of Forest Users who prefer off-road vehicle use (according to the Forest Service analysis).

I urge you to withdraw all plans for new construction of motorized ORV trails and allow only motorcycles on motorized trails in the Gold Beach District as was intended with the Siskiyou management plan.

Please respect my values and my voice.

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