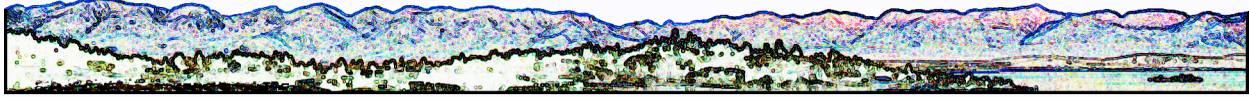


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Dear Supervisor Weber;

Please include the Mid-Swan Project and Crystal Cedar Project scoping documents in the Administrative Record for the revision of the Flathead Forest Plan. We've included them on the enclosed CD for your convenience.

The Mid-Swan document shows, among other things, that the Flathead intends to greatly increase Total Road Density/Total Motorized Access Density under the revised Forest Plan through substantial new road construction and by substituting "stormproofing" for the reclamation/decommissioning currently required under Amendment 19 to limit TRD/TMAD.

The Crystal Cedar document shows, among other things, that the Flathead intends to greatly increase the miles of mountain biking trails in grizzly bear habitat and intends to utilize old "temporary roads" for bike trails under the revised Forest Plan. This of course calls into question the integrity of past claims made that temporary roads would be thoroughly reclaimed after their intended use for logging and that they would be used as neither roads nor trails in order to not be included in calculations of TRD/TMAD.

Though our Objections to the revised Forest Plan have already been reviewed, the final Decision on the revised Forest Plan has not been signed. This is a timely submission of documents for that Administrative Record.

Please respond via mail or email (keith@swanview.org) indicating these documents has been included in the Forest Plan Administrative Record.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Keith J. Hammer
Chair