

Little Snake Field Office Resource Management Plan Revision

Travel Management

The Preferred Alternative outlines an access and transportation plan that **provides necessary access, reduces redundant roads and trails, and reduces resource damage and habitat fragmentation.**

The Preferred Alternative would **reduce impacts from off-highway vehicles** by increasing the area where travel is limited to existing or designated roads and routes to 1.24 million acres (from 286,855 acres), and designating 86,710 acres as closed to off-highway vehicles (from 72,480).

It would continue to allow open “cross country” travel on 21,940 acres, which would be within the designated within the Sand Wash Special Recreation Area.

Off-highway Vehicle Designations (acres)

	Alt A Current Mgt	Alt B	Alt C (Preferred)	Alt D
Open to OHV use	991,920	1,172,950	21,940	0
Limited to existing roads and routes	229,925	54,850	1,039,500	0
Limited to designated roads and routes	56,930	77,080	203,100	1,079,440
Seasonally closed to OHVs	0	0	0	161,810
Closed to OHV use	72,480	46,370	86,710	289,650
Closed to over-the-snow vehicles	46,080	46,080	839,940	861,030

(“Existing roads and routes” are those roads and routes that currently exist but have not gone through a formal designation and evaluation process. “Designated roads and routes” have gone through an inventory and been designated as open, limited or closed.)

Roads and routes will be inventoried and designated in the Preferred Alternative using an adaptive management approach.

