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Doug,

Regarding the # 28 response: Some place in the discussion with Sandy about the number and kinds of comments on the DEIS, it was mentioned that there were more comments, including nonsubstantive, supporting alternative D than there were supporting Alternative A (or any other option that would be perceived as "less restrictive" than F). The point I was trying to make is that just because ORV supporters may speak up loudly at public meetings (and environmental supporters don't on this issue), it doesn't mean that ORV supporters are the "majority" view. It may be better to word the response differently. The following statement was used in the QABECS briefing statement that Sandy helped review in July 2010:

NPS received more than 15,000 comments on the DEIS. ORV proponents generally commented that the NPS preferred alternative was too restrictive of ORV use. Environmental and pedestrian advocates generally commented that the NPS preferred alternative did not restrict ORV use enough.

Also, I noticed Jason commented on p. 84 about the correct wording for subsection (6) of the rule. He is correct, it should be: "The towing of a travel trailer (i.e., a trailer with sleeping, ~~cooking,~~ **and/** or bathroom facilities) off-road is prohibited."

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Mike.

Where did you get this statement from your response to #28?

Of all the comments received on the DEIS, more favored increased restrictions on ORV use, compared to the NPS preferred alternative, than those that favored fewer restrictions on ORV use.

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