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STAFF REPORT: OHMVR Commission Recommendation for USFS Over Snow

Vehicle and Pacific Crest Trail Planning

STAFF: Dan Canfield, Acting Deputy Director

SUBJECT: USFS Over Snow Vehicle and PCT Planning

Summary

At the August 2019 Commission meeting the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Commission formed an ad hoc committee to develop a recommendation to the OHMVR Deputy Director relative to ongoing United States Forest Service Planning efforts.

The OHMVR Commission will consider making a recommendation to the OHMVR Division Deputy Director to participate in United States Forest Service (USFS) planning efforts relative to Over-Snow Vehicle (OSV) and Pacific Crest Trail (PCT) issues and to represent motorized recreation interests in those efforts.

Discussion

The USFS is engaged in several planning efforts that have the potential to affect motorized recreation interests associated with OSV recreation and USFS lands near the PCT. Project stakeholders reported to the OHMVR Commission that they are concerned that USFS planning decisions have potential negative ramifications to the future of motorized recreation on the subject USFS lands.

Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 5090.24, the OHMVR Commission has the duty and responsibility to:

PRC 5090.24(i) Make other recommendations to the deputy director regarding the off-highway motor vehicle recreation program.

Based on that authority, the OHMVR Commission is considering recommending to the Deputy Director that the OHMVR Division directly participate in the USFS planning efforts to better represent motorized recreation access interests.

Commission Action

The Commission may:

- 1. Make a recommendation to the Deputy Director regarding USFS planning efforts.
- 2. Take no action.

Attachments

None