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Mr. Mike Shirley
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Dear Mike:

This letter authorizes Bogus Basin Recreation Association to proceed with the projects outlined in Steve Shake's May 30, 2001, letter. Several of these projects such as the "South Road" work and Lucky Friday run development were previously approved in 1999 and 2000 as part of the 1994 Bogus Basin Ski Area Master Plan.

The run development you proposed on the ridgeline between the Superior Lifeline/Triumph run and the work you propose on the lower end of the Showcase/Alpine runs are consistent with the Bogus Basin Ski Area Master Plan, but timber removal will need to be coordinated with our timber staff.

I do feel a need to express an element of concern about proceeding with projects included in your 1994 Master Plan. I was, and remain, a bit remorseful about the level of visual impact created by the approved "South Road" improvement. In hindsight, had I been more cognizant of the potential impacts, I would likely not have allowed you to proceed with that element of the Master Plan without identifying effective remediation. I raise this issue only to highlight the need and importance for us to clearly communicate any and all potential impacts and issues surrounding implementation of Master Plan actions. Clearly, successful implementation of the Master Plan, without reengaging in further site-specific analysis, is dependent on all activities resulting in impacts within the anticipated and publicly disclosed ranges. Both you and Steve, on behalf of Bogus Basin Recreation Association, have been extremely forthcoming and cooperative in implementation of the Master Plan, and I appreciate that. I am hopeful that by maintaining that cooperation we can avoid any future "surprises" that might adversely affect Master Plan implementation.

Laurie Fink will be available to help coordinate your proposed work on the mountain. If you have any questions please contact her at 384-3227.

Sincerely,


LARRY TRIPP
District Ranger

cc: Laurie Fink

