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I have the following concerns as a pilot that utilizes the national forest lands.

1. Airstrip section portrays a forest prejudice against aircraft access.
2. Airfields Desired conditions under general recreation does not provide adequate guidance to future planners for the establishment of forest access by aircraft.
3. Desired conditions do not meet Planning Directives standards for presentation of the plan component; Desired Condition.

Excerpt from Plan Directive:

Desired conditions must be described in terms that are specific enough to allow progress toward their achievement to be determined, but do not include completion dates. (36 CFR 219.7(e)(1)(i)) Forest Service Handbook FS1909.12, Chapter 20, Sec 22.11 page 22

4. The airfields section does not address the five plan components: Desired Condition, Objectives, Standards, guidelines, and suitability. The directives require all five components to define an activity.

5. Excerpt from Plan Directive:

Plans must include the following plan components (36 CFR 219.7): desired conditions (sec. 22.11), objectives (sec. 22.12), standards (sec. 22.13), guidelines (sec. 22.14), and suitability of lands (sec. 22.15). Goals may be included as an optional plan component (sec. 22.16). Forest Service Handbook FS1909.12, Chapter 20, Sec 22.1 page 20

6. Under Suitability the list of areas "unsuitable for aircraft landing strips" is unsupported by law except for designated wilderness and research natural areas.

7. Draft Environmental Impact Statement does not present any data on aircraft operations impact on the environment.

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