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Ravalli County Off Road User Association

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Mr. Bastian,

The Ravalli County Off Road User Association (RCORUA) is a group of about 450 citizens, primarily from Ravalli County, who advocate for responsible and sustainable public access to public lands. Our members enjoy all outdoor activities, including camping at Painted Rocks State Park.

We would like to encourage FWP to undertake some improvements to Painted Rocks State Park which would facilitate the public's use of the Park. We understand that significant improvements to Painted Rocks State Park are difficult to implement because of its "Primitive" status and that legislative action is required to permit significant improvements to Primitive Campgrounds.

Some of the improvements which would facilitate public use at Painted Rocks might include:

- Deepening the existing water well to provide potable water at the campground. All of the infrastructure for a water source at the campground is in place; power, pump, pressure tank, shelter, etc.
- Enlarging camp sites to accommodate the larger units currently preferred by the public. "Drive-thru" campsites are particularly preferred by campers who trailer boats or other vehicles.
- Trimming trees, limbs and branches to facilitate travel through the park by larger vehicles.
- Establishing an RV dump station at the park. There is no dump station in Ravalli County south of Hamilton and there is some concern that a few self-contained campers may be improperly disposing of their waste.
- We encourage the construction of a Camp Host facility.
- The existing group shelters are very nice, but underutilized. We believe the construction of a large fire ring with appropriate seating would encourage the use of the existing group shelters.

We appreciate FWP's dedication and effort in managing and maintaining Montana's Park system. We would be pleased to work with FWP in any way to facilitate improvements to Painted Rocks State Park.

Sincerely,



Dave Olson, President
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Senator Jim Shockley
Senator Ron Stoker

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