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Subject RE: Brighton Snowmobile Activity

Al,

We have an agreement with the County Sheriff to enforce watershed rules and regulations. I see not reason why illegal snowmobiling activities would be excluded. Have you heard contrary to this?

-----Original Message-----

From: Al Soucie [mailto:asoucie@fs.fed.us]  
 Sent: Wednesday, May 09, 2007 1:43 PM  
 To: Snelling, Jeff  
 Cc: Loren M Kroenke; Jeff Waalkes  
 Subject: RE: Brighton Snowmobile Activity

There are 90 square miles within Salt Lake City's boundaries. There is an additional 110 square miles of so-called SLC watershed outside Salt Lake City's boundaries. Watershed is the new bureaucratic tool to double SLC's influence to 200 square miles.

The thing that would help the most would be if the City could provide the County Sheriff with the authority to enforce the Salt Lake City Watershed Ordinance and Salt Lake Valley Health Dept. Health Regulation #14, watershed regulation, for these kinds of violations. It would seem to provide more teeth to these kinds of snowmobiling violations within designated municipal watershed, rather than the FS only being able to enforce violations of our "travel management plan" on public land. If we could somehow work together on this it would provide us more muscle.

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Where is the science to support Salt Lake City's theory that snowmobiles are a measurable pollution factor in water quality?

Wouldn't cars, trucks, and diesel buses forced to idle for hours on snow packed roads in Big and Little Cottonwood Canyon have more potential for watershed pollution than snowmobiles?

Salt Lake City is the driving force to create the public safety hazard of 8 mile long cul-de-sac canyons in Big and Little Cottonwood Canyon, and the increased petro-chemical pollution by increasing travel time in the canyons.

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To

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All land is watershed. Are we really going to shut down Utah to snowmobiling to protect watershed? Or is watershed the new left's liberal tool to dictate lifestyle choices to Utahns?

If Salt Lake City can use watershed to ban snowmobiling on SLC watershed, then can Las Vegas demand Utah not snowmobile on the Colorado and Green River watershed which is their culinary drinking water? How far does this nonsense go?

Where are we going with this new watershed regulatory scheme to confiscate personal choice?

If snowmobiles can be banned, will jets flying over SLC watershed be next? Why not?

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Salt Lake City Public Utilities pays the Forest Service money for more ranger protection of watershed, and pays Salt Lake County for more police protection of watershed.  
Isn't this just using the public money against the public interest so a few elected SLC officials can double their kingdom from 90 square miles to 200 square miles?

Al,

Thanks for the information. Tell me if we can help, i.e. our guys keeping a closer watch of this area. Thanks

-----Original Message-----  
From: Al Soucie [mailto:asoucie@fs.fed.us]  
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To: Niermeyer, Jeff; Snelling, Jeff  
Subject: Fw: Brighton Snowmobile Activity

Under SLC watershed theory, snowmobiles would be banned state wide. Why does 1 of 245 cities get away with this extremist anti-Utah activity?

Jeff & Jeff,  
FYI, think you need to know this illegal use of snowmobiles is occurring in the Brighton Lakes area, seems like it has been reported the last 3 weekends.

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If we are going to be serious about water quality, then we need to ban all activities that put oil and gas in our drinking water or our neighbor's drinking water. Propane and electric powered motors are just as fun. It's not the activity that needs to be banned, its oil and gas used to power leisure boats and snowmobiles.

What right does Salt Lake City have to dictate State snowmobile policy?

How extreme are we going to get? No driving on snow with cars in the watershed? What's the difference between driving on snow with a car or driving on snow with a snowmobile?

Salt Lake City would even be opposed to natural gas snowmobiles in SLC watershed. It's not about water quality or watershed, its about their view of the world and how to enforce it on others.