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In comparing OHV Area Designations on maps 2-13, 2-14, 2-15 and 2-16 (Options A, B, C, & D), I am concerned that all the area south of Interstate-70 is shown as limited to Designated Routes only. However, on the OHV Route Designation maps 2-54, 2-55, and 2-56 (again Options A/B, C, & D), no routes are actually shown --- which leads me to believe that the intent is to close off any access. My wife and I are in our 70's, and she in particular is unable to walk more than a very short distance from our truck to collect agate, petrified wood, onyx, minerals, etc to make into jewelry in our "Rockhounding" hobby. And as Dr. Jim Kirkland, Utah State Paleontologist, will certainly agree, it is knowledgeable amateur paleontologists like myself that bring to his attention most of the new fossil finds in Utah. Please include in your final RMP access possibilities for personal, non-commercial rock and fossil collecting. Shutting us out by incorporating "non WSA lands with wilderness characteristics" in this region which has been extensively explored and covered with trails and roads is doing us a disservice.

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