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Comments: Dear U.S. Forest Service -

I write re: the comment period for the new GMUG Forest Plan.

I strongly support all nine (9) comments provided by Crested Butte Mountain Bike Association (CBMBA), including its endorsement of the Gunnison Public Lands Initiative (GPLI).

GMUG is a glorious jewel shared and celebrated by many outdoor users of diverse recreational interests and geographic/cultural backgrounds. Living in California, I have been fortunate to travel to, and recreate in, GMUG for 1-2 weeks per year since 2014, and the positive experiences with family and friends underpin a life pursuit of "making that annual pilgrimage to GMUG". For that, I am full of gratitude.

With the advent of newer recreational technologies (e.g., e-bikes) and the pandemic-driven increase in outdoor users, it is important that holistic, research-based approaches help frame updated trails etiquette/management, resource protection, and general conservation practices, so that future generations can enjoy GMUG without any degradation in experience or opportunities. As a result, please consider incorporating CBMBA's nine comments in developing the final GMUG Forest Plan.

Sincerely, Mark Moskowitz