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Dear Sirs,

I am writing to state my objection to this project. My experience with mountain biking goes way back to the very beginning. I lived and hiked on Mt Tamalpais where mountain biking began in Fairfax CA. I was an avid runner and hiker spending many hours a week on the trails that knit through the Mount Tamalpais watershed that were shared with mountain bikers. I did so for 32 years.

My experience was the wear and tear that trails for mountain biking take, are *enormous*. Little care for the space and environment was exhibited that I could see (or other people for that matter). When a corner got too worn, another was made beside it as well as just about any random spot along the trails. I've seen trails that were so heavily used and torn up that the surface of the trail was deeper than the soil level around it, I've seen gouges in the walls of the trails from pedals, I've seen sensitive creek beds trashed, I've seen great amounts of soil and gravel displaced from trails, not to mention the trash that I picked up time and again. This doesn't even touch upon the flora and fauna, which are very heavily impacted.

Why would you want to screw up such a beautiful and sensitive area for the sake of a very small handful of people? This land belongs to the taxpayers. Why are the taxpayers having to provide land for this tiny group of people for their exclusive recreation? What about the ranchers and people that live on that road? That road will be so trashed. Just look at the road to Todd Lake near Mt. Bachelor. That is what Mill Creek Road will become. I would also like to know just how many citizens of Crook County plan on using this to warrant such a project, *locally*? I suggest that the people who want this project, pool and save their money to purchase the land to build this

on.

The whole thing stinks and the fact that this was so hushed for so long, reeks of something rotten. They should find another spot far away from the Ochocos. I do not see that Crook County will benefit from this at all.

I request that NO ACTION be taken on this project.

Kathleen Allen

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Thank you for your time,

Kathleen Allen