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## Dear Sirs,

We are writing to support and approve the proposed action to build the Lemon Gulch Trails Project #58831: Building a mountain bike trail complex/park in the Lemon Creek water shed. After reading the Lemon Gulch Trail Project, Wildlife Resource Report and Biological Evaluation, we feel confident that this trail system is viable, necessary, and inclusive for all age groups and people with disabilities and will be well managed so that deer and elk and other wildlife will have maximum protection for their procreation/survival now and into the future. We strongly suggest that the maximum mileage

proposal be considered so that this opportunity does not have to be revisited for many, many years. It will also spread usage out over a wider area allowing the multiuse trails to be enjoyed as they should be.

Multiuse trails, of which this is one of, are valuable for health and recreation in a growing population. We are a couple in our 60's and 70's, living in Prineville, who lead an active life style which include hiking and bicycling and need opportunities within a reasonable reach to pursue these activities. We helped build the lower 66 single track trail. As past members of COTA, we supported and helped build the Prineville Bike Park in 2016. We also supported the collaboration to put Prineville on the map of Travel Oregon with the Crooked River Scenic Bikeway.

And as it seems important to locals that you state where you are from and where you have lived (proudly stating that they are multigenerational Crook County residence) it is stated herein that Mary Ann was born in Prairie City, Oregon. I hope that qualifies me to be legitimate.

Thank you for your supportive work that allows an informed decision for this important trail system to be evaluated and hopefully come to fruition.

