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Comments: Please cancel plans for creation of mountain biking trails. The Proposed Action will damage sensitive habitat for deer, elk, eagles, cougar and other wildlife. Once damaged, recovery is slow and costly. Prevention is the best medicine -- prevent the damage from occurring in the first place. Wildlife is losing its habitat at an alarming rate both in the state and throughout the country and world. If we do not curb our recreational desires, we will continue to kill our planet by a thousands cuts. All public agencies that manage open space that allow mountain bikes know (1) bikers cut illegal trails constantly - stopping these illegal trails is near impossible because bikers get bored with trails and constantly want new trails, jumps and other thrills (2) bikers in wilderness areas disturb and displace wildlife (see attached articles) and (3) bikers in wilderness ruin the experience for other open space users (e.g. photographers, nature walkers, etc).