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Comments: Dear Amy and Forest Plan Revision Team,

I heard about the Forest Management Plan Revision. My husband and I are relatively new to mountain biking and love the access that it provides. We use to do a lot of hiking but due to medical issues, mountain biking is our only alternative to reach these beautiful and scenic areas.

The riding in the Colville National Forest is unique and should be preserved if at all possible. Mountain biking access to these areas allows more people this outdoor experience.

We appreciate the Forest Service's difficult task in developing an alternative that balances recreational needs alongside other needs for the area. We fully support Alternative P if the following is included:

*Support for Special Interest Area (SIA) for the Kettle Crest area

*Proposed Bald, Snow, White wilderness designation is changed to SIA to provide a continuous crest riding experience

*Abercrombie Mountain and Silver Creek trails be removed from recommended wilderness designation due to the unique character of these higher mountain trails

Thank you for the opportunity to let you know about our strong support for mountain bike access to the trails of the Colville National Forest.