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Comments: My name is Shawn Barney from San Manuel, AZ. I am writing in support of the single track trail system proposal in management area 4 and 7(Tumacacori Red Springs Single-Track Trail System #51581) for motorized and non-motorized use. I have lived in southern Arizona most of my life and have really grown to love the beauty of the Sonoran desert. As an avid dirt bike rider and (occasional mountain bike rider) I've discovered that the best way for me to enjoy and appreciate the desert is by riding out on a trail and actually being out in the desert. I believe this trail system would be a tremendous asset to southern Arizona. If approved, I know I would, and many other bike riders would, utilize the trail systems to recreate and enjoy the natural beauty the area has to offer.

Southern Arizona seems to have very little single-track trail systems, and this would be a tremendous opportunity to collaborate with the Trail Riders of Southern Arizona. The Trail Riders of Southern Arizona as an organization have done much good for our community here in San Manuel. Every year they hold their annual event which brings dirt bike riders from all over the state, which boost the local economy, and they have donated much of the proceeds to the community schools here which is very much appreciated. As a member of the OHV community I understand the obligation to care for this proposed trail system. When utilizing single-track trails, and roads I myself regularly engage in maintenance efforts when passing through areas, as well as try to spend dedicated time on certain trips to the upkeep of the resource. It has been noted that; the location is ideal as it is seldom used and does not present any immediate user conflicts; we will be using a high percentage of already disturbed ground, and the soil and terrain are such that on going maintenance will be minimal over time. Once established, I believe very strongly the local user community (TRS and others) will be very active in maintaining this trail system.

I thank you and commend your efforts to explore the feasibility of this trail system and strongly support its approval and implementation.

Thank you,

Shawn Barney