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Comments: To whom it may concern,

We are Crested Butte residents who have seen a major increase in both mountain bike and dirt bike tourism over the past 10 years. While we understand that the National Forest is a place for many types of recreation, we understand that the Forest Service has recognized a need for more motorized trails in our area. We strongly support the increase in trails and collaboration with CBMBA to create and fulfill this need. However, we disagree that the increase in trail building should be for motorized use. HCCA has suggested that the need for more motorized trails is unsubstantiated, and we hope that the Forest Service takes the time to increase and fund non-motorized trails. We feel that the infrastructure exists in Taylor Park to accommodate the motorized use of our region. We do however see a need for an increase in trails. In conclusion, we hope that the Forest Service recognizes the significant increase in mountain bike tourism in our area and prescribes trail building in the vicinity of Crested Butte.

Sincerely,

Erin Whaley and Casey Falter