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Comments: single track trail at the Wayne National Forest

To Whom It May Concern:

As an avid motorcycle enthusiast and Ohio resident and taxpayer, I am interested in having more mileage of single track trail available within Wayne National Forest.

Key direct benefits I see include reduced trail congestion and increased safety due to the lower average speeds attainable in single track versus typical 50" ATV trail or two track.

Indirect benefits are likely to include greater usage of the trails at Wayne by the folks that appreciate the unique challenges and safety they get when riding single track.

Currently, single track aficionados are paying a fee, thru one means or another, to ride single track on private lands. This is accomplished through the various Ohio ACES events (dualsports and enduros) held each year that see 1000+ unique entries. Some riders - myself included - seek additional single track opportunities in other states like West Virginia due to the lack of single track trail in Ohio. In that case, the cost of riding single track is more than just a trail pass, and includes extra transport gas, food, lodging.

If Wayne were to offer single track trail, the Forest would be very cost competitive - likely the least expensive - compared to similar options offered thru private clubs in Ohio and out of state opportunities.

As a result, I would expect Wayne would see a measurable increase in annual revenue from National Forest trail passes, as some portion of those 1000+ single track hungry riders recognize that Wayne now has something to offer them - right in their own back yard.

In summary, I urge those with decision-making capabilities for this matter to consider proposals for single track motorcycle trail in Wayne National Forest.

Please feel free to contact me for any further discussion.

Thanks in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ryan Pavlasek