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Comments: I am writing to express my sincere support for ongoing access to mountain biking in the Lionhead. I have been both riding and helping to maintain the Lionhead mountain biking trail system since 2007. I consider this area to be one of the most special places in the country to ride bikes and believe its staying open to be monumentally important to spreading use over large areas and minimizing impact to the land. And all of my years of riding in the Lionhead, I have literally only encountered 1 hiker and no other trail users aside from bicyclists. The bicyclists I have both ridden with and run into are day-users that value the rugged, extremely remote, and natural terrain.

Lionhead mountain bike trail users are conscientious trail users that practice "leave no trace" ethics and consistently leave the trails in better shape than before they were ridden. Mountain bikers have volunteered thousands of hours of trail work over the years, including developing the trail system itself. There is no reason to exclude this user group from enjoying, maintaining, and sharing trails in the Lionhead.

Please consider:

- [] I support the Gallatin forest partnership agreement
- [] I support continued bicycle access to the Lionhead
- [] I support managing recommended wilderness areas to allow bicycles