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Comments: While I support the proposed Rico Spring Creek and Sagehen Road opening, I was disheartened to learn of the closing of three excellent trails to motorized use in the Rico area last year. I hope that the Forest Service can re-open these and use some of the OHV dollars and OHV 'muscle' to re-open these trails that have been used by motorcycle, mountain bikes, horses, and hikers for the last 45 years.

Also, Thank you for providing some some alternative plans (Spring Creek) and reasoning behind opening these routes, and letting the general public know that the OHV (motorcycle) and MTB communities are the majority of the users. Obviously, the terrain out of the Dolores River Valley is very steep and hard for even expert mountain bikers to gain access to the top trails. It would be nice to re-work Ryman or even make an extension off Bear Creek that can provides a better grade at accessing the CO Trail. We'd all love to see these trails re-opened and re-worked. Please continue moving forward with your plans for Rico and Sagehen! If we all work together this area can be sustainable (and enjoyable) for all users.