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Comments: Hello,

I'd like to start off by stating that all in all, I am in support of the Twisp Restoration Project. I think there is a definite need of strong and focused forest management in this area and I think it'll be beneficial for generations to come.

My comment is in regards to protecting the work done by Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance and it's volunteers. As a mountain biker, my favorite way to interact with the environment is via the trails produced by that non-profit. An enormous amount of time, resources and labor have gone into creating and maintaining those trails while also advertising their existence to people outside the community in an effort to boost eco-tourism. Those trails are valued by many in the local community as well as those traveling into the valley, providing an economic stimulus.

I understand that the nature of the work will make it difficult or impossible at times to protect all the work done, but I ask that care be taken when possible, and finances be provided to Evergreen to RE-BUILD trails that have been destroyed.

I ask that the Chicadee Trailhead be spared for most of the equipment access as it's a major launching point for much of the tourism in the area.

I also ask that only segments be closed at a time as to avoid a Full Closure of all the trails in the area.

Thank you so much for hearing my voice on the project.

Sincerely,

Chris Moore