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Comments: I am a resident near the proposed trail. I am not really looking forward to the development of this area. Which development comes many problems. First is the influx of people and their vehicles. So then you need a parking lot with a restroom. Then people start camping and living in the parking lots. As a nearby resident I am also aware that some of the areas of development are elk wintering zones. More people just means more pressure on these and other animals. Sure you can put up signs and have seasonal closers but you can't make people read and respect these closures. Our consumption of nature has left us with very fewer and fewer patches of wild land. Sure there are already trails in parts of the proposed areas but people have to work to find them. If people have to work to find these areas I believe that they will see them as special and treat them with the proper respect. I just feel like this development is out of character for this largely undeveloped area. I consider myself an avid mountain biker and in no way do I feel underserved by a lack of trails. Every weekend I spend hours riding different trails. Sure some people say that there is Economic benefits but they come at a cost. First it benefits relatively few people while impacting the quality of life of everyone who lives up there. As a crystal valley resident I feel like we have been given little if any voice to this issue. So I would ask you please to reconsider the approval of this development.