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Comments: While I understand the need for the forestry activities being proposed for Boggy Draw, I believe they need to be carried out with a very high level of effort to mitigate impacts on the recreational activities so many of us rely on that area to provide. I have been mountain biking and hiking in the area since the mid-90s. My kids have learned to ride trails there. I have been seriously impressed by how far it has come, and how much potential it has to develop further. We shouldn't risk damaging that potential. I know that the development of our trail systems have been vital to our local economy, bringing visitors from both near and far. Those visitors shop, eat and stay, supporting our local businesses, creating complex layers of impact. Beyond that I work for a company that relies on recreation resources like Boggy to be able to attract quality employees to the area. So I am in favor of anything we can do to reduce negative impacts on these recreational resources while still achieving the essential goals of the project.

Thank you for your attention.