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Comments: Thank for for the opportunity to comment. I'm a mountain biker in the valley for the past 30 years and have actively built and maintained trails throughout the valley in that time. I'll break down a few thoughts on some of the specific trail thoughts:

1. Upper Brush to Crystal. I think the USFS has it wrong in that the trail would not be of much benefit. Firstly it creates an all singletrack loop connecting Crystal/400/Hunter Creek. Especially with the recent Crystal reroute that gets much more traffic than it used to as it is now all rideable. Secondly, there are many blind spots on the road where motos and ATVs tear up the road creating a potentially dangerous situation for bikers. That road gets much more motorized traffic than the USFS realizes.

2. Teocalli Ridge - I've thought for a long time that an extension would be appropriate however the proposed one doesn't go far enough. Most riders begin that loop at tent city. I would prefer the new alignment to come out on the road further down by the cattle guard where the lower access to Canal Trail is. Canal Trail can still be accessed and it still gets riders off the road even more so. I'd also get the trail further away from the road than is currently shown on the map. it feels like an afterthought. Perhaps staying further up on the ridgeline. Also, the USFS did a great reroute years ago on it, I'd like to see a continuation of that where more of the fall line descending is replaced by a more thoughtful, sustainable alignment. In particular where the new reroute rejoins the old fall line trail high up in the meadow. Start the new alignment to the road up there.

3. I'm in agreement in reinstating the northern section of Deer Creek to Tent City. I think its an afterthought just to do one small section. Its almost like here's a bone for you.

4. Irwin road/Dyke makes a lot of sense as long as its far enough off the road.

5. Bear Creek makes sense. That section has been beaten up by motos and still has the one eternal mucky spot. The reroute will hold snow and moisture though given its location, so something to consider.

6. I'm in total agreement that trails that are too close to the road they are replacing doesn't work. They do create braids and unnecessary exit points. The whole point is to create a trail that is a different experience than being on the road. Too close and its just an extension of the road itself.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment - Jeff Irwin