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Comments: I'm writing in support of all CBMBA proposals in the North Valley Plan especially the Riders off the Road concept. Looking into the future, the Riders off the Road vision will ensure that hikers and bikers of all ages can enjoy the Gunnison National Forest safely and without conflict. Specifically, I strongly support the Upper Cement Creek extension towards Crystal Peak. I personally ride Upper Cement Creek at least twice per week from Walrod to Middle Cement as an out and back and similarly Crystal Peak trail quite often and also an out and back. Having an extension between these two trails would provide a safer and more desirable connection. The Upper Cement Creek extension is a logical proposal as the single track is existing but just needs the extension for connection. . In addition, CBMBA's proposed alignment for the Upper Upper to Brush Creek parking area would be a welcomed addition as these trails are the first to melt out in the spring and heavily used by folks in town. Routing higher and avoiding RMBL's research plots makes more sense and abiding by seasonal closures in August for cows would be an easy compromise.

In general, cars, motorcycles, and ATV traffic is extreme now and will just get worse. With limited law enforcement on our Forest Service roads, decreasing the interactions between the motorized and nonmotorized communities is absolutely crucial.

Planning ahead and getting as many non-motorized users off the roads will help keep everyone safe, especially our kids!

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