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Comments: Ochoco National Forest Managers,

I'm really excited for this new proposed mountain biking trail system in the Ochocos. It will provide the mountain biking community with a modern downhill system that Central Oregon doesn't have even though were already a famous zone for mountain biking. I believe option 2 would be the best bet for the system. More trails in a smaller zone helps reduce conflicts provides a variety of riding options for riders of all ability levels and is prevalent at other mountain biking communities around the west.

As a lifelong Central Oregonian, I really hope this gets built out and it can be a center of mountain biking for decades to come. I have loved the Ochocos my whole life and it would be truly amazing to see them get a modern mountain bike trail system.

I think it's entirely possible to share our public land with people who have grazing permits. They should not be the only ones who get to use our public land especially when cows have a much larger environmental impact than bikes would. Every year mountain biking gets more and more popular and I feel COTA and the larger mountain biking community are good stewards of our land and offer the community. an economic development boost when people travel her to go mountain biking.

Thank you for reading the comments and I wholeheartedly encourage you to approve option 2 for the Lemon Gulch trail system.