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Comments: I understand that most of the objections to the project are coming from ranchers leasing the land for cattle grazing? There is also some localism from Prineville residents regarding the potential influx of "mountain bikers" to the area. I recognize these voices and am interested in seeing any data that would support their claims. I would note that the current shared trails in the area, (ie lookout mountain) have been in use for decades, and shared peacefully between a variety of non motorized users. Using Oakridge Oregon as an example of a small logging town of which has welcomed mountain biking into its community, there have been only positive effects from trail development. Ranchers should realize that mountain bikers will have no negative effects on grazing cattle. I would assume there is absolutely no data showing any negative effects on cattle grazing on public land shared by multiple non-motorized users. I support lemon gultch and the trail plan within. Please allow these trails to be developed.