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Comments: Hello, I am a 64 year old woman mountain biker. My passion is feeling and seeing the beauty of nature while I navigate the challenges that exist in the natural form, away from our artificial created life that we live most days.

The Ochoco National Forest is one of the prettiest forest I have visited. The vegetation is diverse and tree speices are manifold. The terrain is a challenging mix of climbing, broad panoramas of open meadows and challenging tree rooted descents.

My most memorable mountain bike rides have been in the Ochocos. Just being in the Ochocos, it becomes a part of me and a joy that stays within me. But that is all about me, more importantly is what trail access can do for others.

I do not live near Prineville or Central Oregon, but I visit regularly. I pay to camp in the Ochocos, so I can ride; I buy my gas in Central Oregon , so I can ride; I visit the Prineville grocery stores and coffee shops while visiting to ride; and I eat at the Prineville restaurants while visiting to ride.

As a mountian biker, seeking a unique and fulfilling day in nature, the Ochocos are the place I would choose, and more trail access would mean more time visiting Prineville and your amazing Ochoco National Forest.