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Comments: Lemon Gulch is a critical project. As Central Oregon grows, the mountain bike user group grows. More trails are critical because the group is growing, no matter if trails are built or not. User conflict and pirate trails are the results of projects like this not happening.

Mountain biking is a healthy lifestyle and promotes a healthy community. Mountain bike tourism is enormous. Oakridge trails bring in more than 5 million to their community each year with mountain bike tourists.

Here in Madras, Oregon, our trail system has dramatically increased our stops by travelers to the community. Further, we are now becoming a destination for Mountain Bikers. The Business Association here in Madras has reported great benefits and sales since our trail system went into use.