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Comments: Hello all,

I grew up in Prineville and return often to visit siblings and parents who still reside there.

I started mountain biking when I was 16-17 (2007-2008).

At that time, there was practically zero single track or multipurpose trail in / around Prineville.

I was forced to either bike on rough game trails or drive to Redmond and Bend.

Over the past years, I've been delighted to see a few projects spring up around Prineville (Iron Horse, Lower 66, the Facebook trails on the rim, and now the Barnes Butte complex.)

I've witnessed so many individuals be able to enjoy biking, running, and hiking with access to these trails.

Trail networks, such as the proposed Lemon Gulch, lower the "access barrier" for the public to both enjoy more physical movement and time in the outdoors (two things that would greatly enhance the physical and mental health of our community).

I believe that installing either alternative 2 or alternative 6 would vastly benefit the economic, physical and mental health of the Prineville community.

For these reasons, I strongly support this project and hope to see it approved.