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Comments: I am not in favor of Lemon Gulch at all. I use that area for horseback riding and camping. It is in crowded and peaceful. I don't want it to be like Lookout Mountain or trails up out of Bend where we were eventually ran out with equestrian use. Our one time a year event? The Sunriver Endurance ride, which I managed for years and always attended and rode was sabotaged so bad by mountain bikers we had to give it up. Ribbons were taken and our people were lost. Mountain bike tracks to every ribbon removed. One day a year! So please let's not get this going over in the Ochoco NF. Also the downhill trails that are used by mountain bikers are very dangerous for equestrian. So much speed on the bikes and wearing headphones and not looking for traffic. I have had some dangerous situations. And it is not right to designate large areas for exclusive use. And the mountain bike trails constructed on the Deschutes required much excavation and disturbance. We don't need that on the Ochoco. I have no doubt if the Lemon Gulch mountain bike trails happen equestrian use will suffer and we will have to go away. Please concentrate the mountain bikes over on the Deschutes Sunriver area where equestrian use is already driven out