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Comments: I lived in Eugene from 2007-2011, was involved with the mountain bike organizations and events in Oakridge during that time, and saw the positive economic impact that modern mountain bike trails had on the economy of that town. It continues to thrive and benefit from the mountain-bike-related tourism. More importantly, mountain bikers are PEOPLE, who see the great town and services (pubs, etc) and surrounding area, and then tell others about the place.

Based on my 20+ years as a mountain biker and general outdoor enthusiast, I have seen other places with a history of extractive industries that have benefited from the addition of mountain bike trails (Moab, Hurricane/St. George UT, Fruita CO).

Based on these experiences, I wholly support the Lemon Gulch Trail System #58831. As with all projects, it is important to balance the needs of wildlife and other national lands users. I am confident that those various considerations will be made and this trail system can be implemented.

Signed,

Arthur Turlak