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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I wholeheartedly support the full implementation (Alternative 2) of the Lemon Gulch project. As someone who grew up in Central Oregon and has chosen to raise my family here, we need to pursue these types of opportunities with vigor - they are a large part of what make this region so special.

The proposed Lemon Gulch project should be viewed as an opportunity. We are in the unique position of having beautiful, relatively plentiful public lands combined with passionate users and we should be using that momentum to provide a fun, healthy, low-impact way for more people to enjoy our lands. Allowing this unique development to proceed will bring a lot of economic opportunity to the area in addition to providing a healthy, fun way for people to recreate.

I appreciate the balanced approach being taken by Ochoco Trails, and hope that the Ochoco National Forest will join in the efforts as well. It would be a shame to allow a small but vocal minority of private landowners or land users determine the fate of this project. Instead, let's take this as an opportunity to show the rest of the country how partnership and management of public lands and recreational opportunities can be handled in a fair, positive way and let the results speak for themselves.

Thank you, Chris Young