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Comments: I am writing in today with big concerns about the Lemon Gulch project. I am AGAINST the miles of bike trails through our beautiful national forest.

Over 20 years ago my husband and I purchased 40 acres in the area of these trails. It took us many years to find this perfect serene quiet place where Wildlife roamed and the only sounds are birds singing, coyotes calling and the wind blowing through the massive pine trees.

The forestry service locks gates and closes the roads

In the proposed site for 6 months of each year to protect the animals that live there. Now they just want to run them All Out ?!

The ranchers that live in the area use the national forest for open range to run their cattle from late spring, through summer & early fall. By doing this they keep the grass & vegetation mowed down that is very important in keeping the ever so dangerous fire season under control.

If these bike trails go in; everything will change, the wildlife will leave the area. They say they will have designated trails I know that there are going to be those riders who go off trail and go in places that they shouldn't ,and make an even more of a problem than it already is!

These narrow roads leading up to the trails are very dangerous, they are one way roads. If you put bikes, cow & vehicles on that road together, chances are somebody is going to get hurt or killed. There is no cell service in that area therefore if they needed medical attention they would have to go miles down the road in order to get service.

Thank you for letting us local options be heard on this project, I find it very offensive how so many people from outside of this area are blatantly telling the Forest Service they should not be concerned with what the Locals opinions are, but take the advice from them,people from the Big cities that will only be there once in awhile!

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