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Comments: As a tourism-based economy, the Pagosa Springs area caters to many interests and activities. Many of our neighboring communities (Durango, Cortez, Del Norte, etc) have realized the enormous benefit the MTB community can bring to their towns. Due to the lower elevations of these communities, many of the beautifully purpose-built trails are not rideable in the summer months. The Jackson Mtn trail system, sitting perfectly between 7-8000 ft, will offer a perfect respite from the summer heat for both local and visiting riders.

We (the local Pagosa Springs biking community) have needed a riding destination like Jackson Mtn for a long time and I, for one, am incredibly excited for this project to take form. Jackson Mtn has a long history of unsanctioned/renegade trail use and I'm glad this project will better utilize and protect this amazing resource.

As for the gravel pit, I would rather it NOT be located on Jackson Mtn. Impacts from recreational users are one thing. Impacts from heavy equipment and industrial extraction are quite another.