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Comments: I strongly oppose the gravel pit for the following reasons.

It's less than a mile from my full time residence. We purchased this property for the beauty of the natural landscape and the serenity. There is more than enough national forest and potential gravel pits sights that aren't right next to a neighborhood.

During the first initial meeting with the gravel pit the Forest service said they had found other sites but hadn't done the research to pursue them. This makes it seem like the people that live next door to this proposed site don't matter and it's all a pursuit of the lowest cost possible.

Combining a trail system and a rock crushing / 30 trucks a day seems incredibly unsafe and stupid. As an avid mountain biker if there was a gravel pit smack dab in the middle of network of biking trails I would avoid that trail system. ESPECIALLY if I had kids. If you have a dump truck coming around a gravel road corner and a group of kids of mountain bikes. Which one would get flattened? There is plenty of sharp corners on this road system already.

The gravel site picked is one we have climbed several times while exploring our backyard mountain. It's very steep. Once we pull all the rock from it will the peak crumble down and lower the height of Jackson mountain? I understand this project is too small to do an environmental study but I'm still incredibly concerned about how this will turn out beautiful national forest corner into a industrial hell hole.