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Comments: Jackson Mountain trails are a great opportunity to expand recreational biking in the area. Pagosa is surrounded by protected wilderness areas that do not allow for mountain biking. Those areas are however allowed for hiking, backpacking, and horseback riding. Jackson mountain provides an area for mountain bikers to get longer mileage with a variety of terrain challenges. Res hill does not provide for this even though the terrain is favorable, there is just not a lot of mileage. Turkey Springs have become more populated with users and Jackson will follow suit as our town continues to grow. If we create a well-planned multi-use trail system then there should be less conflict between users. If we don't plan for mountain biking use on these trails then we will have the same problems with drainage and social trails that we have had at Turkey Springs. Which in the long run will use more resources to keep up with and maintain. The Pagosa mountain bike team has grown in the past couple of years to over 45 kids. These kids need more challenging longer terrain to keep up with the rest of the Colorado teams. We have already started to offset practice start times and locations to minimize the use of trail impact. However, this still doesn't give us enough trials to work with and get these kids outside. Let's work together and get some more recreational biking opportunities within closer limits of Pagosa.