Data Submitted (UTC 11): 2/13/2023 7:00:00 AM First name: Jan C. Last name: Hester Organization: Title: Comments: Dear Mr. Blackman,

Thank you for attending the recent open house/meeting concerning the Jackson Mountain Landscape Project. I appreciated your comment that if you could design a Mountain Biking Trail System in a vacuum, it wouldn't include a gravel pit. I feel that the two uses are incompatible, and strongly prefer the mountain bike trail system. I got the impression from the recent newspaper article that perhaps Mr. Peck isn't as enthused with the gravel pit location as some of our County Commissioners seem to be.

Warren Brown told me at the meeting that he would personally "shut down" the Mountain Biking Trail development if the gravel pit doesn't go through. I heard him tell another concerned constituent that it's of no use to argue about the gravel pit, as it's "a done deal." Since I understand that the decision on the gravel pit rests with the Forest Service, I found these comments appalling.

I appreciate the transparency and honesty with which the Forest Service personnel appear to be proceeding as they consider the gravel pit on Jackson Mountain. I hope Mr. Brown was just posturing and bluffing and that the gravel pit location on Jackson Mountain is not a done deal. I hope you will continue to advocate for the best possible Mountain Biking Trail System on Jackson Mountain, one that doesn't include a gravel pit.

Thank you,

Jan C. Hester