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Comments: I'm a 50-year+ local, live in Crystal Valley near Avalanche Creek. I'm an avid winter backcountry skier. I recently skied the wagon road near Hayes Ck falls. I have no major objections to using this route for a bicycle trail. I did see elk while I was in there, so I think the winter closure of this area is a fantastic idea. The route for bike trail I most strongly support is keeping the bike trail along the road. It's a beautiful road and would be a very pleasant experience riding along the road, and that would save the wildlife impact that would surely occur. Some people are very irresponsible with their dogs at Penny Hot Springs and Avalanche Creek despite winter closures, so enforcement is very important. I WILL lay down in front of a bulldozer if the proposed trail ends up in the pristine wildlife habitat in the mouth of Avalanche Creek. The Avalanche section should definitely stay along the road. My preference is that the trail stays alongside Hwy 133 from Carbondale to McClure in general.