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Comments: It is wonderful see the much needed mountain bike and multi use Jackson Mountain trail plans moving through the scoping process and hopefully getting closer to implementation. Thank you to the forest service, IMBA, and the many dedicated local volunteers for developing the trail network plans. The demand for trails continues to grow and this is a spectacular area well suited for them. I fully support the trail network plans and the forest management. The gravel pit needs some additional review.

The needs for a county gravel pit are understandable, it is just tough to see the location added after the network was planned and in a spot that creates conflict. The conflicts are both for the county - to have a pit in the less secure area amidst recreationers, and for the users - to share the limited vision, narrow roads with large, fast trucks and dust. The pit is located right within the trail system and is wrapped by trails.

If the gravel pit is to be included in the scoping, more information is needed in the analysis about alternate locations, the operations (hours of operation, intended removal rates, life, will it be just for the county use or does it have the potential to become a commercial pit (definately not supported)), alternatives for separate haul roads and truck access and, ways to separate the conflicting uses

Also - if the gravel pit causes additional concerns and delays based on public comment, could it be separated from the forest management and trail network to not delay the process for those two items?