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Comments: While I support this trail, I also do not support the winter closure. With and nearby road and river traffic and the previous rail use, a pedestrian trail would be a drop compared to a torrent. I believe that a trail will increase rather than decrease the protection due to limiting the range of pedestrians to a trail and giving the public an appreciation of the beauty of the area. This increased appreciation will help with public support for the protection of our natural resources. Additionally, it will provide a accessible recreational opportunity close to the RF valley and decrease the pressure on other recreational areas including Red Bluffs in Carbondale and Avalanche Creek in Redstone. Thank you for listening.