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Comments: As a mother and outdoor enthusiast, I am writing to express my strong support for the development of new mountain bike trails in our community.

Not only will these trails provide a fun and challenging outdoor activity for families to enjoy, but they will also bring economic benefits to our community by attracting visitors and increasing tourism. Additionally, having accessible and well-maintained trails will encourage healthy and active lifestyles among our youth, while promoting environmental stewardship and appreciation for nature. As a mom, I find it so exciting that my children may have the opportunity to grow up with trails of this caliber nearby, they will have the opportunity to explore our beautiful area in a way that most of us have never had the ability to do. The positive impact of our youth spending time outdoors, learning new skills and getting away from screens, will have untold beneficial effects on our community for generations.

As a community member I can see the trickle down effect that these trails will have on not just the tourism industry in our area but, all businesses and services. Potentially having an economic driver such as fantastic bike trails will help continue to build our community that fosters creativity and entrepreneurship. It should allow for new jobs, new small businesses and in general many more opportunities.

In short, I am incredibly excited for the potential of these trail systems. I hope the progress on this project continues!