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Comments: As a nearly 40 year resident and avid cyclist, mountain biker and hiker, I should one of the projects biggest supporters, but I'm not. As much as I enjoy new and challenging trails, we need to draw the line and say enough is enough. Whether new trail construction will achieve the goal of boosting business in Steamboat is both questionable and irrelevant.

Growth in off-road cycling is coming from downhill, and in area free riding, not cross country. On the other hand wildlife and environment stress and disruption is coming from backcountry cross country trails.

The Mad Rabbit Trail will likely not achieve its intended economic goals, but will achieve its unintended goal of disrupting and stressing wildlife and inflicting one more environmental wound on our backcountry.