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Comments: I am writing to support the new trails proposals on Bunchgrass ridge and Cowhorn Mountain. They both create connectivity between trail systems that is desirable to users.

We believe that these proposed trails will:

1. Create a more direct, singletrack route over the cascades for long distance cyclists and other forest users.
2. Create better connectivity between the Windy Lakes trail system and Timpanogas trails in the Oregon Cascades Recreation Area,
3. Close an important gap along the Eugene to Crest Trail from the historic Bunchgrass Ridge to Fuji Mountain.
4. Reduce illegal use of the PCT by cyclists by creating preferable alternatives, and
5. Create a pristine backcountry trail experience, uninterrupted from Waldo Lake to Oakridge.
6. Create an opportunity to manage user behavior in a sustainable fashion.

We believe that these proposed trails will not:

1. Degrade the natural resources of the area.
2. Increase the potential for user conflict in the Willamette National Forest.
3. Negatively impact wildlife in these areas.

Sincerely,

Lev Stryker