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Comments: It seems like the proposed reroute could potentially be an improvement in terms of not producing unnecessary temptation for mountain bike trespass. With the current layout, the section of the PCT by Summit Lake could, in some bikers' minds, be the "PCT alternate" to the OTT, so if the goal is to keep all cyclists off the PCT, then it would be an improvement to limit their proximity to it to a perpendicular crossing.

Maybe we should reevaluate that goal, however. I personally think that permitting some limited cyclist access to the PCT in non-Wilderness areas would actually be a good thing. Although bicycles do cause erosion, there is such a large active group of trail volunteers that engage in that hobby, that having some of them on board for PCT maintenance would more than mitigate any damage caused to the PCT by bicycles, and would increase the size of our volunteer pool. And although there is the concern of bicycle / horse conflict, there will always be Wilderness areas where the equestrians can avoid bicycles, and presumably most of the non-wilderness would still be off-limits to bicycles--I am imagining just certain exceptions being made, with definite signage.

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