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Comments: Hello to all concerned,

As a mountain biker and resident of Missoula, MT I would like to express my desire to consider allowance of mountain bikes within select trail in the Lolo National Forest. Mountain biking is a growing form of outdoor recreation with allows for longer distance adventures than on foot. This mode of travel is ideal for the topography and landscape of this area and would yield economic benefits to communities in Ravalli County and Missoula County. I understand that a large concern mountain bike use in this area may come from assumptions around trail impacts. As a transportation planner by trade with a history in my career focused on active transportation and recreational management I can assure you that impacts on trails from mountain bikes are negligible compared to foot traffic.

Mountain biking deserves consideration for use in Lolo NF!

Thank you.