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Comments: Comments: I am writing today to express my wholehearted support for the Telluride Mountain Club's trailproposal.

As a dedicated member of our community for the past seven years and an avid recreationalist, I have witnessed firsthand the transformative impact that an expanded trail system could have on our region. Below are the reasons why I advocate for the adoption of this proposal:

1. Increasing trail inventory to meet trail demand is of the utmost importance. In addition creating more purpose built mountain bike specific trails to allow bikers and hikers alike to find their own space

2) Building trails that are fun for biking and not watered down IMBA'esque trails is important. A trail can be spicy but still be sustainable.

3.Enhanced Safety and Accessibility: Many recreationalists are currently forced to traverse busy roads to access trails. The proposed trails, including the Sheep Corrals to Sunshine Trail, Sunshine/T35 Uphill Trail, Sunshine Trail Connector, and Illium Flume Trail, would provide safer alternatives, reducing reliance on road travel.

4.Commuting Benefits: The Mountain Village to Valley Floor Singletrack Connector holds immense potential as arecreational and commuting route. Boomerang road is too steep and loose for most people to travel safely. Theestablishment of this new trail would facilitate safer and more accessible travel for individuals commuting to town, reducing reliance on vehicles and the gondola.

Another option to Boomerang would also be beneficial as a fun single track option for descending for mountain biking.

5. Investing in the improvement and expansion of our trail systems is paramount to preserving our cultural heritage and maintaining our status as a world-class outdoor recreation destination. We are behind other mountain towns in our trail development and inventory. Small increases have been made lately and our MUCH appreciated. Let's build on that and keep the momentum. Telluride and the forest service has been relying too much on Telski and allowing them to take over maintaining trails, which is great but they are largely "pay to play" which defeats the purpose of public trails and access.

6. What the mountain club is proposing is amazing and we need to wholeheartedly get behind. However, that needs to be just the start and we need to keep going!!!!

In conclusion, I wholeheartedly endorse the Telluride Mountain Club's trail proposal. By investing in our trail infrastructure, we not only enhance recreational opportunities but also uphold the values that define our community. Thank you for considering my input on this matter.