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Comments: Comments in regards to extending the Eagle-Vail Trail to the west, connecting to Beaver Creek. My first concern with any trail projects is that of the wildlife that live in the area and how they will be impacted. It seems that the wildlife habitat continues to be impacted by human activity, it's easy to look at this project and believe that it will have little impact, but when looking at it from a larger perspective, with the trails and developments that have occurred over the last several years, it has had a big impact on much of what used to be undisturbed (by humans) land. With a new trail come not only people, but their pets, many of which are not on leashes from what I have seen on other trails.

With that being said about wildlife impact, I am a huge mountain bike rider that rides most of the trails around Avon and Vail. There's no doubt that tying the Eagle-Vail trail into Beaver Creek would be a huge benefit to not only locals, but guests that visit the resorts here. It would also make for a safer and much better experience for anyone who goes for a ride, walk, hike, or run on the new trail, as it would allow them another option to stay off highway 6.