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Comments: I oppose the proposed trail closures to mechanized transportation (bikes). There are multiple issues in the way proposed wilderness areas are designated, one of which is prohibiting mechanized transportation for multiple decades without being wilderness, while bike riders could have enjoyed the area for years, but were not able to. Some of this can be avoided as other proposed wilderness areas have done by creating proposed wilderness area boundaries that exclude a narrow trail corridor. In my case and others, closing trails to mechanized transportation essentially closes off the area, as my knee and foot issues keep me from being able to hike long distances, but the low impact of cycling allows me to be able to enjoy those trails. Please consider excluding the currently mechanized accessible trails from the proposed wilderness areas.