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Comments: I live in Mena Arkansas and I fully support the trails project 100%. I've lived in Mena for over 20 years and since I first moved here all I've ever heard people say is that there is nothing to do here, well this is the change and economic explosion we need. The much needed revenue from tourism will save this slowly dying town. I believe the Mountain biking trails would give the growing youth here something positive and healthy to get into. This will help get the youth off the phone and outside where they can grow into healthy adults. Bentonville and Rogers have a huge mountain bike community but they don't have the elevation drop we have so believe the mountain bike scene could grow to be even bigger here. Every business in this small town could thrive from this not the mention the price value of everyone's house here goes up. The increased revenue, tourism, publicity and exposure will grow everything in this town. If people don't like mountain biking, that's ok because that's not all this project will bring in, with the growth of this project our little town is going to be able to offer so much more, more restaurants, more coffee shops, more variety of businesses, etc. This mountain bike trail project is 110% a good idea that would bring life back into our beautiful little town, this is the change we need so this great place we call home doesn't die like across the nation so many small towns do. Please please continue to build this trail system, do it for the youth, a healthier future and do it for our beautiful community.