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Comments: I've resided in Mena for 36 years. I definitely see the need for our community to move forward economically. The bike trail project system will be a vital step towards achieving this goal. Therefore, I strongly support this project. However, I'm an avid outdoorsman who enjoys Rich Mtn and the recreational opportunities it offers such as hunting, hiking, and its scenic beauty. After reviewing the online environmental assessment and examining the four alternative plans of action, I'm in favor of alternative plan #3. This plan incorporates environmental conservation measures such as 3 lifts instead of 5 lifts (which is in the original proposal). Alternative plan #3 wouldn't reduce the number of bike trails that is in the original plan. On the subject of recreational opportunities that Rich Mtn offers other than the bike trail potential, I feel like it's extremely important that existing recreational opportunities remain intact on Rich Mtn. In other words, outdoorsmen can continue to enjoy recreational activities as in the past without limitations.