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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project.

I strongly urge the USFS to include post-thinning considerations for recreational trails construction.

Often times, temporary roads built on previously disturbed prisms can be opportunistically repurposed as trails for hiking, horseback riding and bicycling.

Given the significant increase in human population in southwest Montana, the Bozeman Ranger district has a large gap between supply and demand for recreational trails.

Since the often cited reason for the lack of new trail development is the cost of staff time for evaluation and implementation, this seems like a great opportunity to find operational efficiencies.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.

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