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I believe that wilderness is important, but that we have plenty and do not need more.

I am particularly concerned by the proposal for the north foothills. This is literally one of the nation's top mountain biking resources. It's close proximity to Albuquerque and its altitude and terrain make it a 12 month area minus a week or two which is very unusual.

This proximity and urban fringe nature also makes the area completely unsuited to wilderness expansion.

The east side proposal is nearly as troubling, reduced only by the fact that it is more of a three-season resource.

I urge the USFS to not pursue this expansion.

Thank you.

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