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Comments:

Dear Custer Gallatin National Forest,

I would highly encourage you to not only preserve all access to mountain bikes on existing trails but to analyze the potential to add new mountain bike specific trails to your travel management plans in the future. It is critical for all ages and user groups to have access to our national forests. I believe a variety of motorized, non-motorized, and over snow use is highly desirable to ensure that access to our National Forests is available to a wide variety of ages and abilities. A number of Wilderness Areas exist within our region for the purpose of minimizing use and impacts upon the land and as such remaining accessible areas within the National Forest should be open for multi-use. Please do not further erode the relatively few mountain bike trails we have to access our public lands in the West. Rather, put more substantial protections in to ensure that mineral extraction, oil and gas development, and other more impactful industries are forever prohibited from damaging our national forests.