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Comments:

As an avid mountain biker, I am writing in support of continued mountain bike access in the Custer Gallatin National Forest. Specifically, I would like to see continued mountain biking in the Lionhead area. I took a long day hike up Sheep Creek several years ago, and saw how beautiful and remote some of that terrain is. We did not see another person (hiker or biker) the entire day. I am a regular trail volunteer with MTB Missoula and know that fellow mountain bikers have worked on many trails in the Lionhead area.

As a former Bozeman resident, I have spent many years recreating in the Custer and Gallatin forests-mountain biking, hiking, backcountry skiing and hunting. My kids have a friend with a cabin near West Yellowstone, and they have spent far more time than I have recreating in the area. I am confident that mountain biking does not degrade a mountain trail in any way, and would like to see continued access to these trails. For that reason, I support Alternative E.