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Comments:

I believe that bikes do belong in these backcountry areas. For me, and many other mountain bicycle riders having and maintaining access to these areas is huge for developing a connection to place, spreading the load of bicycle recreationalists across a vast area as opposed to having people concentrated in the front country, and helping to engage new and old riders which in turn increases the economic value these people bring to these areas. I also believe that with the help of non profits such as SWMBA and MBT for example, these lands can be looked after for generations to come and they have the ability to develop a greater stewardship mentality for these future generations.