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Testimony:

1. I'm 71 and have been mountain biking for about 35 years so I have a perspective that may be different from many others.
2. I'm a big advocate of people using public spaces--heck, they pay for them so let's encourage them to use them.
3. I'm an even bigger advocate of people being outside. If you pull into a big rest stop in California, there will be a poster that touts parks and cites a study that indicates that young people who spend significant time outside do better in school, physically, emotionally, and overall than those who don't have that opportunity. Kids like mountain biking. So, let's give them another opportunity or create another outside activity that might attract them.
4. At the other end of the spectrum, I have friends who still love to mountain bike but now need an "electric assist." I don't mean a scooter, but a bike that the rider needs to actively engage in order to get any assist. These bikes do no additional damage to trails and are generally ridden by older folks who are slower and more careful (i.e., safer) than many riders. Please, please, do not put on the same blinders as the Forest Service on this issue. Please create your trail; and please make it accessible to as many as possible.
5. If you build it, THEY WILL COME. And that will be a good thing!

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