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Comments:

As Head Coach for the Gilmer Cartecay Composite Youth Mountain Bike Team, an organization registered with the Georgia Interscholastic Cycling League, I strongly encourage top prioritization of the Aska Frutikoff Trail Project.

These trails represent a disproportionately high opportunity for Return on Investment, as they will extend and improve on an already existing network of trails, are located favorably to encourage public access and use given proximity to an already well established and maintained recreational corridor, and come with a robust volunteer network who have demonstrated long term commitment to maintaining trails once they are developed.

As a representative of a youth development organization, comprised of over 50 combined youth athletes and coaches, prioritization of the Aska Fruitkoff system would address local resource demands as well as tourist traffic, both of whom are in search of quality extended trail systems to enrich their outdoor recreational experience.

The USFS could hardly do better in choosing the Aska Fruitkoff project for funds prioritization, as in so doing, the agency would satisfy its stated agency priorities of caring for the land and serving people.

Very Respectfully,

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