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As a Washington county resident with thousands of miles under his feet last year, and a half thousand down this year already, only a few ago I was suffering from a back injury, unable to sit, stand, or even lay down without pain. Oregon's trail system was an integral part of my rehabilitation from that injury, providing motivation and goals through which I could gauge my progress. For the first 8 months, I still wasn't comfortable enough walking on an unpaved path. We have an opportunity to add another jewel to Oregon's trail system this trail fills a gap currently under served in it's extensiveness and accessibility, certainly the trail will also benefit tourism providing not only tourism dollars, but also memories. I can think of few things more deserving of our states support than the salmonberry trail.