

Fat tires allow cycling year round

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In years past winter was when Sierra Nevada backcountry cyclists were forced to pack away their bike gear and wait for the snow to melt.

No more.

The proliferation of fat tire mountain bikes in recent years is getting more bicyclists than ever into the mountains despite a healthy snow pack.

Fat bikes, generally defined as mountain bikes with tires with a width of at least 3.5 inches, have been around more than a decade but their popularity has surged in recent years.

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