

S. Fredricks #34 BOS 5/12/15

TO: EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Cc: CLERK OF THE BOARD

RE: SACRAMENTO PLACERVILLE TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR ALTERNATIVES
ANALYSIS PRESENTATION, PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 12, 2015

Council
The El Dorado Local Disaster ^{*Council*} supports the Board of Supervisors in giving serious consideration to the retaining of the Rails Corridor (Sacramento Placerville Transportation Corridor) in such a manner as to facilitate its use as a fire break, use for emergency evacuation, and as a route for the movement of emergency vehicles, supplies, and personnel. The Council also recommends any improvements made to the Corridor be such as to allow consistency with these uses.

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THE RESEARCH THAT ADRIAN HAS PULLED
TOGETHER IS TOTALLY AWESOME!!

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THE PRESENTATION PRESENTS A CLEAR
PICTURE OF THE ECONOMIC POTENTIAL
OF A UNIQUE RESOURCE OF OUR COUNTY,
THE EL DORADO TRAIL. PLEASE ALSO
CONSIDER THE EFFORT AND MONEY THAT
HAS GONE INTO THE EXISTING SECTIONS
OF THE TRAIL.

IT WILL BE YOUR DECISION HOW TO USE
THIS RESOURCE FOR THE HEALTH, WELFARE,
AND ECONOMIC BENEFIT OF OUR COUNTY.

A FEW OF THE FACTS PRESENTED INCLUDE:

1. THE CORRIDOR WAS PURCHASED BY
THE JPA UNDER THE RAILS TO TRAILS
ACT FOR ESTABLISHING A TRAIL
UNTIL NECESSARY TO RE-ESTABLISH
RAIL FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE.
2. OTHER COMMUNITIES HAVE SUCCESSFULLY
DEVELOPED TRAIL SYSTEMS FOR
HEALTH AND ECONOMIC BENEFIT
3. PRESENTLY, EL DORADO W RR, MT.
BIKES, HORSES, AND HIKERS CAN USE THE
CORRIDOR WHICH PRODUCES A REVENUE
OF \$300,000. (THE EDWRR TRAVELS
BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF EL DORADO
AND SHINGLE SPRINGS BETWEEN 11AM
AND 3PM ON SUNDAYS.)

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4. FRA CLASS 1 RAIL EXCURSION TRAIN WOULD EXCLUDE MANY ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FROM USING THE RAIL-BED AS A TRAIL ALIGNMENT.
5. PAVED PATH ON THE RAIL-BED ALIGNMENT WITH A NATURAL TRAIL PROVIDE THE GREATEST BENEFIT TO THE COUNTY.

If you allow FR1 Excursion Train you exclude development for road bikes and pedestrians of all ages.

(Part of the need for the trail is for families with young children to have a safer place in there community to learn the life long skill of riding a bicycle!)

PLEASE HAVE THE VISION TO DEVELOP THIS VALUABLE COUNTY RESOURCE INTO A REGIONAL INTER-COUNTY TRAIL CONNECTING WITH THE AMERICAN RIVER PARKWAY, PONY EXPRESS TRAIL TO ECHO SUMMIT WHERE IT COULD CONNECT TO THE PACIFIC CREST TRAIL. IT WOULD BE INCREDIBLE TO USE THE SPTC AS A 210 ACRE LINEAR PARK.

Eileen Cim
5/12/15