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Item #39 Dec 7 Trail Reso
The BOSONE to: Cynthia C Johnson
Sent by: Loretta M Featherston

12/07/2010 08:24 AM

Trail Resolution

JoAnn LoFranco to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

12/06/2010 08:03 PM

Please vote for our ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION "A". We want the Trails Resolution that will make the Multi-use, class-one hiking, biking and equestrian trail a priority.

Thanks,
JoAnn LoFranco

— Forwarded by Loretta M Featherston/PV/EDC on 12/07/2010 08:23 AM —

Your Support for El Dorado Trails Resolution A

Dan Streetman to: Dan Streetman

12/06/2010 08:09 PM

Dear Supervisor:

As a citizen and voter in El Dorado County, I encourage you on December 7th to please vote for the ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION "A" without any additions which favor keeping rail tracks in place.

Our county needs a Trails Resolution that will make a multi-use, class-one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a priority. A multi-use trail will be a great recreational asset to the citizens in our community and also increase revenue along the numerous stops for food/drink/equipment. These trails would be used every day - by El Dorado County citizens and also by revenue-generating visitors from surrounding communities.

The American River multiuse trail system is renowned nationally. Professional cyclists visiting the Sacramento region have called it the "best cycling trail system" they've seen. The proposed El Dorado County multiuse trail system would be a continuation of this excellent community feature and would also bring increased revenue to our county.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this terrific opportunity for our great county.

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Dan Streetman

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Please vote for the Original Trails Resolution "A"

Peggy Blair to: bosone

12/06/2010 08:24 PM

Please vote for the ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION "A" without Jack Sweeney's additions. We want the Trails Resolution that will make the Multi-use, class-one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a priority.

Please support this original resolution that will allow so many more in this region to enjoy the trails and the beauty of El Dorado County.

Peggy Blair

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Please vote for the ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION !!

Bob Michalek to: bosone

12/06/2010 08:29 PM

Dear Mr. Knight,

“Please vote for the ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION "A" without Jack Sweeney's additions." I will make the Multi-use, class-one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a priority.

It has come to my attention that some supervisors have changed their positions and now support leaving the rails in place. This represents a 180 degree change VERY disconcerting. A bike/multiuse trail such as is being proposed, and one that the board apparently until recently were a proposal of the incredibly active citizens in our community. There are numerous stops for food/drink that would receive increased business revenue from this used every single day, by voting citizens from our community and from surrounding communities. The trails are a nice "idea", but are not a viable alternative. A bike trail will FAR EXCEED that of any train utilization of the rail / trail.

The American River multiuse trail system is renowned nationally. In fact, pro cyclists (such as Robbie Hunter) at the Amgen Tour of California, call it "the best trail system" that they had ever witnessed. That is high praise indeed. The proposed El Dorado County multiuse trail system would be a continuation of this system.

I urge you to reconsider your decision and return your support for a multiuse/bike trail.

I live and VOTE in El Dorado County and I NEVER miss an election!!

*Sincerely,
Bob Michalek*

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Trail resolution

Annemiek Storm to: bosone

12/06/2010 08:51 PM

Dear Mr. Knight,

Regarding the priority use vote (Rail/Trail) coming before the Board tomorrow, I would like to make a plea to the board to consider voting for the priority resolution to make the hike, bike, horse trail a priority without the added sentence "as long as such priority does not cause the removal of the existing rail and ties."

The rails to trails act allows for the removal of the rails and ties, even if that does not necessarily need to happen, certainly not along the whole track from Missouri Flat to the County line.

The RR right of way was purchased by the County for future use by its residents. The most immediate public and beneficial use of the trail for the most residents of the County, would be with a hike/bike/horse trail. This would benefit the public the most.

I have hiked within the last year, in 5 segments, the whole trail (or rails since not everywhere is there an existing trail next to the rails) from downtown Camino to White Rock road. Where the rails are still in existence, there are 13 crossings over roads, some with busy (South Shingle) or heavy (Latrobe Rd) traffic. To get a train going over the whole length would be extremely costly and money is not available. However, for hiking and biking there are many grants available, among the reasons for those being health benefits to the public.

At the last BOS meeting it was insinuated that the right-of-way might revert back to adjoining property owners if rails were removed. I understand that this is not the case ([http://WWW.railstotrails.org/resources/documents/resource docs/RTC FactSheet Railbanking.PDF](http://WWW.railstotrails.org/resources/documents/resource_docs/RTC_FactSheet_Railbanking.PDF)).

Adding the sentence mentioned in the first paragraph might mean that this valuable public resource would not be made useable for anyone (rail or trail) for decades to come: no money for rail and no more priority for trail without possibility of removing a portion of the rail. A trail would be achievable much sooner. Maybe reserving the rails for the tour train from Shingle Springs to Missouri Flat would be a good compromise?

Please vote for the original resolution!

Respectfully,

Annemiek Storm
Ed Means
530-621-1684

----- Forwarded by Loretta M Featherston/PV/EDC on 12/07/2010 08:23 AM -----

El Dorado Trail Resolution

K Kolafa to: bosone

12/06/2010 09:02 PM

Dear Supervisor Knight:

My name is Kimberly Kolafa, and I am a resident of El Dorado County and the organizer of El Dorado Hikers, a local hiking group amongst several others in our community. Just this last week, several members of our group utilized the El Dorado Trail for a hike. We live in this county because it is rural and small, but primarily because it is close to outdoor recreational opportunities - unfortunately those opportunities exist primarily in Auburn, and the Tahoe area. Now YOU have a tremendous opportunity to create another area for healthy outdoor recreation by voting YES on the ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION without condition. We want the Trails Resolution that will make the Multi-use, class-one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a priority. To keep the rails and not remove the trails is defiant to what the original intent of the Rails to Trails Act intended. I have used rails to trails in other areas of the country, notably in Leadville and Telluride, both in Colorado and the Galloping Goose in Victoria, British Columbia. I urge you to PLEASE use the taxpayers money responsibly and as intended and VOTE YES on the original Trails Resolution that you considered last month. Thank you!

Kimberly Kolafa
5510 Robinhood Lane
Pollock Pines, CA 95726

----- Forwarded by Loretta M Featherston/PV/EDC on 12/07/2010 08:23 AM -----

Trains

russ MOTE to: bosone

12/06/2010 09:02 PM

Mr Knight,

I am asking you not to vote for a resolution that would keep rails instead of trails. A class 1 bike path will bring more visitors, money, recreation, healthy lifestyles, and public transportation by

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riding bicycles than all the events the train supporters have had in the last 17 years of their almost exclusive control of this public right of way. Trails not rails please. Thanks, Russ Mote

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Vote

Sandy Stretch to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, @edcgov.us

12/06/2010 09:03 PM

I use the bike trail for walking and biking and would like to see the trail connected down to Folsom I think this would be great for the community.

I would like to vote for our ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION without condition. I would the Trails Resolution that will make the Multi-use, class-one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a priority.

Sandy Stretch

4083 Betty Jean Ct

Placerville, CA 95667

Sandy

----- Forwarded by Loretta M Featherston/PV/EDC on 12/07/2010 08:23 AM -----

El Dorado Trail

Ed Parker to: bosone

12/06/2010 09:15 PM

Dear Mr. Knight:

Please vote for the original trails resolution, without condition. We want the Trails Resolution which makes the multi-use, bicycling, hiking, and equestrian trail a priority. Thank you.

Ed Parker

----- Forwarded by Loretta M Featherston/PV/EDC on 12/07/2010 08:23 AM -----

Slm Tweed to: bosone

12/06/2010 09:28 PM

It has come to my attention that you have changed your position and now support leaving the rails in place. This represents a 180* turn in your previous position. I find your change disconcerting. A bike/multiuse trail such as is being proposed, and one that you apparently until recently were a proponent of, would receive tremendous use from the incredibly active citizens in our community. There are numerous stops for food/drink that would receive increased business revenue from this system of trails. These trails would be used every single day, by voting citizens from our community and from surrounding communities.

The American River multiuse trail system is renowned nationally. In fact, pro cyclists (such as Robbie Hunter) at the Amgen Tour of California commented that it was the "best cycling trail system" that they had ever witnessed. That is high praise indeed. The proposed El Dorado County multiuse trail system would be a continuation of this excellent community feature.

I urge you to reconsider your decision and return your support for a multiuse/bike trail. I am a registered voter and I do vote whenever I am eligible.

Sincerely,

Jackie Tweed

----- Forwarded by Loretta M Featherston/PV/EDC on 12/07/2010 08:23 AM -----



El Dorado Trail - Please vote for the original trails resolution

Alexander, Jack E to: bosone

12/06/2010 09:45 PM

Mr. Knight,

Please do not vote for a railroad over a multi-use El Dorado Trail. It makes no economic sense, and who does it benefit?

My wife and family are residents as well as avid cyclists and hikers, and we strongly support something that my friends and family would use on a regular basis - a multi-use trail, not a railroad. I also have many friends - most of whom are El Dorado Hills residents - that strongly support the multi-use trail. Hopefully, they will contact you as well.

I also know that it would be a great draw for riders from all over Northern California which will help businesses in El Dorado County.

Jack & Kirsten Alexander
530-677-4484

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multituse bike trail

Michael Stump to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

12/06/2010 09:51 PM

Dear Supervisors,

It has come to my attention the position the Board is taking on the creation of a bike/multituse trail in place of the rail tracks has changed. I am sure there are reasons for the turn of position, most likely financial with this depressed economy. However, if government consistently thinks short term without the vision and fortitude to make great decisions, nothing great will ever be done. This is your chance to do something big. Find a way to make it happen. This kind of a project will benefit El Dorado County businesses and citizens for many years to come. The rise in the popularity of cycling has been staggering. We need this type of trail. Just look at the popularity of the American River trail. The proposed trail could make the Sacramento region world famous in the bicycle community.

Please reconsider your decision and return your support for a multiuse/bike trail. I am a registered voter and I do vote whenever I am eligible.

Michael Stump

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Original Trails Resolution Without Condition

joe and paula grady to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

12/06/2010 10:34 PM

We want the Trails Resolution that will make the Multi-use, Class one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a PRIORITY!!!

Sincerely,

Pauline and Joseph Grady

----- Forwarded by Loretta M Featherston/PV/EDC on 12/07/2010 08:23 AM -----

El Dorado Trail

Jennifer Zraick to: bosone, bostwo, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

12/07/2010 06:03 AM

Cc: Tom & Jennie Zraick

Hello,

I just received an email about the agenda item concernaing the El Dorado Trail at today's meeting. I want to encourage you to make the further additions and current maintenance of the trail a priority for the people of this county.

The trail section from Missouri Flat Rd., to the County Jail has been a catalyst for

getting people in our community together. I regularly walk and ride the trail and I see:

- ~ Families with multi-generations out together (kids on bikes, grandparents on scooters and parents trying to keep up!)
- ~ Physically handicapped people using their walkers and wheelchairs
- ~ Mentally handicapped people in groups with caregivers
- ~ Elite athletes as well as those who haven't exercised in decades
- ~ People rehabilitating from accidents and strokes
- ~ Friends catching up
- ~ Business people, caregivers, stay at home moms, at of work dads, affluent, low income....THE LIST GOES ON!

This trail reaches every cross-section of our population, and gives them the opportunity to do something positive with their lives while enjoying the beauty of nature.

As you know, the benefits of regular exercise are enumerable. It impacts both the function of the physical body as well as mental health. Municipalities all across the country have spent millions of dollars on initiatives to get their residents out and moving in order to impact the growing cost of healthcare. Benefits to local governments have also included the attraction of businesses and growing number of residents who want to take advantage of a health centered community. A local example is Folsom and the national attention they have received for the series of trails that criss-cross their community.

The trail is a unique feature of our county which has already been a huge benefit, and whose full potential has not yet been fully conceived. Please make the trails projects a priority for our budget dollars.

Jennie Zraick

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Placerville, CA 95667
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EDH Trails Resolution

lkatfisher to:

12/07/2010 07:38 AM

Dear Supervisor,

I am a member of Team Revolutions in EDH. I understand that an important vote is occurring today regarding the trail resolution and the priority of use.

I am writing to express my opposition to the addition of the following language to the resolution:

"trails have priority as long as such priority does not cause the removal of the existing rail and ties."

I am a frequent user of the American River trail as both cyclist and runner and would like to see the El Dorado Trail developed for these uses. I support the original resolution as drafted to develop the El Dorado Trail for multi use.

I hope you will take this feedback into consideration when you cast your vote.

Sincerely,

Laura Fisher



Item #39 Dec 7 Trail Vote
The BOSONE to: Cynthia C Johnson
Sent by: Loretta M Featherston

12/06/2010 06:07 PM

Trail Vote

Carol Bolton to: bosone

12/06/2010 06:01 PM

Please vote for our ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION without condition. We want the Trails Resolution that will make the Multi-use, class-one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a priority.

Carol Bolton



Item #39 Dec 7 Vote on the Trails Resolution
The BOSONE to: Cynthia C Johnson
Sent by: Loretta M Featherston

12/06/2010 06:04 PM

12-7-10 Vote on the Trails Resolution

Ron Mellor to: bosone

12/06/2010 05:59 PM

Dear Supervisor Knight:

The purpose of my e-mail is to urge you vote for the original Trails Resolution without condition. I strongly feel that we need to have the Trails Resolution that will make the Multi-use, class-one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a priority. This is what is going to best benefit our community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

Ron Mellor



Item #39 Dec 7 Upcoming Trials Resolution
The BOSONE to: Cynthia C Johnson
Sent by: Loretta M Featherston

12/06/2010 06:00 PM

Upcoming Trials Resolution

Clyde Kimball to: bosone, bosthree, bosfour, bosfive

12/06/2010 05:22 PM

Cc: bostwo

Dear Supervisor

I am an El Dorado Hills resident and member of Team Revolutions Cycling based in EDH. It has come to th
that the wording in the trails resolution coming up for vote tomorrow has been hanged from what was origina
wording back to the original resolution and support the original resolution making this 30 mile stretch and bil
the benefit of El Dorado Hills residents, all residents of the area and small business owners along the route w
business from the many people who will use the multi-use trail.

Thanks for listening to your constituents.

Clyde Kimball



Item #39 Dec 7 Trail Resolution
The BOSONE to: Cynthia C Johnson
Sent by: Loretta M Featherston

12/06/2010 05:10 PM

vote

Loretta Wahl to: bosone

12/06/2010 04:01 PM

I want the original trails resolution to be the one.

ORIGINAL TRAILS RESOLUTION without condition. We want the Trails Resolution that will make the Multi-use, class-one biking, hiking and equestrian trail a priority.

Loretta Wahl

---- Forwarded by Loretta M Featherston/PV/EDC on 12/06/2010 05:10 PM ----

For your information : The American Riviera by train

Nadine Petty to: bosthree, bosfour, bosfive, bostwo, bosone

12/06/2010 04:42 PM

Sunset Magazine
Travel
Shorter excursions

The American Riviera by train

<http://www.sunset.com/travel/california/american-riviera-train-004000000112...>

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Skunk Tain-For your information

Nadine Petty to: bosthree, bosfour, bosfive, bostwo, bosone

12/06/2010 05:01 PM

Research to compare with, El Dorado County situation:

(A quick read)

1.

2. The Skunk Train Fort Bragg and Willits California

Scenic **train** ride through the California Redwoods between Fort Bragg and Willits . Provides a schedule, history of the **Skunk** trains, general railroad history ...

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