

Letter in support of Salmon Falls Ranch Trailhead Project

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Fri, Jun 20, 2014 at 3:57 PM

Aaron Mount, Associate Planner El Dorado County Planning Services 2850 Fairlane Court Placerville, CA 95667

June 20, 2014

Dear Mr. Mount:

I wish to express my support for the proposed Salmon Falls Ranch Trail and Trailhead Facility to be considered by the El Dorado County Planning Commission at its upcoming meeting. This trailhead will provide an important access point to the South Fork American River Trail, and will make the trail much safer and more usable for a variety of trail users, particularly equestrians. As an El Dorado County resident and user of the trail, I have seen the need for this trailhead. I sincerely hope the Planning Commission will recommend in favor of this project and the special use permit.

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Fri, Jun 20, 2014 at 5:14 PM

Attn: Mr. Mount,

I hereby support the measure submitted by the American River Conservancy to construct a parking area, trail head facility and trail connection at the Salmon Falls Ranch. I look forward to it's approval.

James Hebenstreit 7540 Kona Court Placerville, Ca. 95667



Salmon Falls trail head on east side of Salmon Falls Ranch.

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Sun, Jun 22, 2014 at 9:31 AM

I support investing in a parking area and trail in the above mentioned area. It is quiet and serene as it is but the parking issue needs to be addressed. Carla Soracco. 4521 Hillside Drive, Rescue, CA



TO: El Dorado County Planning Commission

Devin Martin <advracer.dm@gmail.com>
To: aaron.mount@edcgov.us

Sun, Jun 22, 2014 at 5:53 PM

Just a quick note to express our support for the proposed parking area, trailhead, and connector trail at Salmon Falls Ranch that's being discussed at the upcoming June 26 meeting. My wife and I are both avid users of the river and area trails. It's the abundance of beautiful scenery and recreational opportunities that brought us (and our businesses) to live in El Dorado County. We wholeheartedly support just about any proposal that enhances the accessibility and quality of our trail systems.

Thank you, Devin Martin and Skye Livingston 5460 Bassi Rd Lotus, CA 95651

[&]quot;The greatest obstacle to discovering the shape of the earth, the continents, and the oceans was not ignorance but the illusion of knowledge."

⁻Daniel J. Boorstin (Pulitzer Prize winner)

[&]quot;I've learned how to live without knowing. I don't have to be sure I'm succeeding, and (...) I think my life is fuller because I realize that I don't know what I'm doing." - Richard Feynman (Nobel award winner)

Date June, 22, 2014

El Dorado County Planning Commission c/oAaron Mount, Associate Planner El Dorado County Planning Services 2850 Fairlane Court Placerville, CA 95667 Main Line 530-621-5355 Fax 530-642-0508 aaron.mount@edcgov.us

Re: Salmon Falls Trail and Trailhead Facility Project (\$13-0010)

Dear Planning Commission Members,

I am writing this letter to show my support for the Salmon Falls Trail and Trailhead Facility Project.

The Salmon Falls Ranch Trail and Trailhead Facility Project the creation of a recreational trail and trailhead area along the eastern side of Salmon Falls Road near the South Fork American River and Folsom Lake. The project will create an additional 1 mile of non-motorized recreational trails and will provide a trailhead facility that allows for parking and public access for equestrians, mountain bicyclists and hikers. My support for this is based on public safety and economics. The current trailhead facility at Skunk Hollow/Salmon Falls Bridge is not safe as it is often crowded, forcing trail users, boaters and other recreational enthusiasts to park along on the narrow shoulder of Salmon Falls Road exposing them and on-coming traffic to potential accidents. A new trailhead and parking area will allow a safe, multi-purpose access point for visitors and trail users.

The South Fork American Trail has been mentioned in the Sacramento Bee as one of the top 4 trails in Northern California. The trail attracts thousands of visitors a year to cycle, hike, and ride their horses. These visitors contribute to the county's economy through increased tax revenues from restaurants, lodging providers, and stores that cater to outdoor recreation and horse owners. In addition the trail provides an incentive for visitors to consider moving to El Dorado County to live and establish businesses. The proposed trail head on Salmon Falls Road allow more visitor access to the South Fork of the American River Trail which should lead to increased visitor days and increased tax revenues as recreationists support local businesses. Having great recreational opportunities in communities have long been seen as an indicator of the economic health of the area. Numerous studies have demonstrated that the annual economic impact of trails is substantial, that trails support jobs and spur business development.

Planning Commission support for a new trailhead would be of economic benefit to El Dorado County, it would provide safe parking for users of the South Fork American River Trail and

enhance recreational opportunities by opening up additional trails and providing easier access to the existing trail.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this Project.

Sincerely, Scott and Vicky Vail 240 Judy Drive Placerville, CA 95667 (530)642-1281 vail.s@sbcglobal.net



South Fork Trail System

Alice Butler <alicevirginiabutler@gmail.com> To: aaron.mount@edcgov.us

Mon, Jun 23, 2014 at 7:38 AM

Dear Mr. Mount,

As a resident of El Dorado County and supporter of our beautiful county as a place to live, recreate and enjoy the life we pursue here, I strongly urge you to grant the request for a parking area, trailhead facility and trail connection at the Salmon Falls Ranch and inclusion in the South Fork Trail System.

Thank you, Alice Butler 385 Coloma Heights Road PO Box 574 Coloma, CA 95613



IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Mr. Aaron Mount Project Manager El Dorado County Planning Services 2850 Fair Lane Court Placerville, California 95667

Subject: S-13-0010-Salmon Falls Trailhead Negative Declaration or Mitigated Negative Declaration, Pilot Hill, California, Folsom Dam and Reservoir, California

Dear Mr. Mount:

This letter is in response to your notice of intent to adopt the negative declaration or mitigated negative declaration that has been prepared in support of the American River Conservancy's proposed Salmon Falls Ranch Trail and Trailhead Facility and permit application. Thank you for providing your information related to the Salmon Falls Ranch Trailhead and Trail Facility Project on, near, or adjacent to Federal lands in the vicinity of Folsom Dam and Reservoir.

The Bureau of Reclamation staff has conducted a cursory review of the submitted environmental and project information and has determined that Reclamation has no formal comments at this time, but respectively requests that your office continue to include this agency in the environmental review process providing an opportunity to comment on potential impacts.

If you should have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Ms. Marissa D. Novoa at 916-989-7177 or e-mail mnovoa@usbr.gov.

Sincerely,

Drew F. Lessard Area Manager

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