

# Re: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Lindsey Ozbolt

Mon 2/6/2017 1:02 PM

To: bruceabowman@yahoo.com <bruceabowman@yahoo.com>;

Dear Bruce,

Thank you for contacting the City of Sammamish regarding the current Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Application for East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B (SSDP2016-00415).

Although the official comment period has closed, as of January 27, 2017 at 5:00 p.m., your comments have been received and will be considered.

Regards,

Lindsey Ozbolt

Associate Planner | City of Sammamish | Department of Community Development

425.295.0527

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From: Bruce Bowman <bruceabowman@yahoo.com>

Sent: Sunday, January 29, 2017 4:04 PM

To: Lindsey Ozbolt

Subject: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Dear

Dear city of Sammamish,

I'm writing to express my support for completing the ELST and approving permit SSDP2016-00415.

I am retired and an avid cyclist, and walker. The trail is an asset that I strongly believe needs to be brought up to better standards for safety and use. As a frequent user of the trail I find people respectful and considerate when on bikes, walking, and running.

When complete the community will be able to add this gem to is list of accomplishments. Please complete the trail.

Sincerely,

Bruce Bowman

16551 se 45th pl

bellevue, WA 98006

425-747-0610

# Re: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Lindsey Ozbolt

Mon 2/6/2017 1:03 PM

To: bissett5@msn.com <bissett5@msn.com>;

Dear Cheryl,

Thank you for contacting the City of Sammamish regarding the current Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Application for East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B (SSDP2016-00415).

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From: Cheryl Bissett <bissett5@msn.com>

Sent: Sunday, January 29, 2017 7:40 PM

To: Lindsey Ozbolt

Subject: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Dear

Dear city of Sammamish,

I'm writing to express my support for completing the ELST and approving permit SSDP2016-00415.

Please approve the permit, as submitted.

Approval of the permit will advance completion of the 44 mile regional trail system between Seattle and the foothills of the Cascades. The trail, as proposed in the permit, will provide a safe walking and biking route through Sammamish. Please support the proposed trail widths, which reflect industry standards (AASHTO).

A 12ft trail with 2ft shoulders will create a safe trail with space for the various different uses of the trail... from running to riding a bike. Please approve the permit with the trail widths as proposed.

Ensuring crossing priority for the trail is an important safety issue. Giving priority to the trail when roads and driveways cross the path will be intuitive for all users, whether in a vehicle, on foot, or on a bike. The trail alignment, as proposed in the permit, provides sight lines for good approach visibility for people on the trail and people crossing the trail.

Please approve the permit, as proposed, with expediency.

I frequently bike on the trail and have to commute also on the busy street. It would be safe for my commute if the trail is completed. I'd be very grateful.

Cheryl Bissett  
10721 Valley View Rd  
Bothell, WA 98011  
4252865916

# RE: Comments on Sammamish Trail

Christian Fortini <christianfo@hotmail.com>

Tue 2/7/2017 10:42 AM

To: Lindsey Ozbolt <LOzbolt@sammamish.us>;

Thank you Lindsey!

Christian

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**From:** [Lindsey Ozbolt](#)  
**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2017 1:03 PM  
**To:** [Christian Fortini](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Comments on Sammamish Trail

Dear Christian,

Thank you for contacting the City of Sammamish regarding the current Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Application for East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B (SSDP2016-00415).

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Regards,

Lindsey Ozbolt  
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From: Christian Fortini <christianfo@hotmail.com>  
Sent: Sunday, January 29, 2017 7:27 PM  
To: Lindsey Ozbolt  
Subject: Comments on Sammamish Trail

Hi Lindsey,

I am a resident of Sammamish with a property on Lake Sammamish in segment South Sammamish B of the trail, at 201 E Lake Sammamish Pkwy SE, in the same neighborhood as Upinder Dhinsa, whom I believe you know.

My girlfriend and I use the trail frequently, mostly running or jogging, sometimes biking. Though we like the current trail, we are not opposed to a improved, paved trail. That being said, I am concerned with the trees across East Lake Sammamish Shore Lane from our driveway. Not all are marked significant on the Tree Preservation plan (section 405-406). Yet, these trees provide privacy, screening from trail and parkway noise, and wind protection. They help keep our neighborhood safe and loitering-free while joggers, bikers and other users can enjoy the trail to its full extent.

It seems that the trail could easily be built a couple feet to the east so that most existing trees between the trail and the Shore Lane could be preserved. This seems to be true of our whole neighborhood on East Lake Sammamish Shore Lane SE. I would like to suggest that the County explores that option.

It appears that the driveway to/from the Parkway will be re-graded. That is certainly welcome, especially when hauling lake boats. It would be great to widen the paved opening of the driveway onto the Parkway to make it easier to get in and out, or for two cars to cross in and out of the driveway, without having to drive in the mud. I can't tell from the plan if this will be the case or not. In fact, I can't tell if the paving will go all the way to the Parkway. It would be strange if not.

It appears that the driveway north of ours will be closed. This is a surprising decision. It will require to remove landscaping and pavers that our neighbor to the north has put in and are currently splitting the Shore Lane in two separate sections. In my opinion, these pavers and landscaping are enhancing the look and feel of the neighborhood. It will also likely increase traffic on the Shore Lane. At the moment, this road is not paved, though we are trying to work with the County to get it paved. It seems that it being paved would be a requirement. The current unpaved road would not be able to support the increased traffic without turning into a dangerous and dirty mud pit in the winter. It is already very much like that with just five neighbors.

Thanks for taking these remarks into consideration.

We are pleased to be resident of this beautiful city and to enjoy such a wonderful environment by the lake and are looking forward to a successful improvement of the trail.

Best regards,  
Christian Fortini  
206 321 4890

# Re: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Lindsey Ozbolt

Mon 2/6/2017 1:00 PM

To: gsbarnes@gmail.com <gsbarnes@gmail.com>;

Dear Greg,

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From: Greg Barnes <gsbarnes@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, January 29, 2017 12:30 PM

To: Lindsey Ozbolt

Subject: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Dear

Dear city of Sammamish,

I'm writing to express my support for completing the ELST and approving permit SSDP2016-00415.

Please approve the trail permit, as submitted, so that users of all ages and abilities can safely use the trail. A trail built to national standards (AASHTO), that is 12 ft, plus 2 ft gravel shoulders, will allow for safe use by a variety of different users, including people who walk and bike.

As proposed in the permit, priority at trail crossings should be given to the trail and trail users. Consistent crossing priority is intuitive and safe for users of both the trail and the driveways and roads that cross the trail.

When complete, the trail will be an even greater community amenity, and provide a safe option for people who bike to travel to and through Sammamish. Please complete the trail.

As someone who both bikes and walks on the trail, it provides a vital link between Redmond, Sammamish and Issaquah that is much safer than using the surface streets. Please insure it is the highest quality, safest trail by approving the permit as submitted.

Sincerely,

Greg Barnes  
7016 39th Ave NE  
Seattle, WA 98115  
2062910971

## Lindsey Ozbolt

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**From:** Lindsey Ozbolt  
**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2017 1:02 PM  
**To:** Kbpqperez@hitmail.com  
**Subject:** Re: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Dear Karen,

Thank you for contacting the City of Sammamish regarding the current Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Application for East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B (SSDP2016-00415).

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From: Karen Perez <Kbpqperez@hitmail.com>  
Sent: Sunday, January 29, 2017 2:03 PM  
To: Lindsey Ozbolt  
Subject: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Dear

Dear city of Sammamish,

I personally use the ELSP to walk with my family & dog. I feel safer on the north portion because the sight lines are better. Although I am emphatic to the southern portion homeowners, they don't have a legal right to deprive others of a safe experience. Also, trees grow back.

I'm writing to express my support for completing the ELST and approving permit SSDP2016-00415.

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Sincerely,

Karen Perez  
2424 Sahalee Dr E  
Sammamish, WA 98074  
425-999-5096

# Re: Request permit SSDP2016-00415 Approval: East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B

Lindsey Ozbolt

Mon 2/6/2017 1:00 PM

To:Lizette Hedberg <lboberg12@hotmail.com>;

Dear Lizette,

Thank you for contacting the City of Sammamish regarding the current Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Application for East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B (SSDP2016-00415).

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Regards,

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**From:** Lizette Hedberg <lboberg12@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 29, 2017 9:02 AM  
**To:** Lindsey Ozbolt  
**Cc:** Lizette Hedberg  
**Subject:** Fwd: Request permit SSDP2016-00415 Approval: East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B

Council Member Valdemara stated you were reviewin all comments, so I am forwarding to you as you were not on my original distribution list.

We look forward to the permit approval and our public lands restored to the people.

Thank you.  
Lizette Hedberg

----- Original message -----

From: Lizette Hedberg <lboberg12@hotmail.com>  
Date: 1/28/17 12:13 AM (GMT-08:00)  
To: 'dgerend@sammamish.us', Ramiro Valderrama-Aramayo <RValderrama-Aramayo@sammamish.us>, 'thornish@sammamish.us', 'khuckabay@sammamish.us', 'bkeller@sammamish.us', 'cmalchow@sammamish.us', 'todell@sammamish.us', lhoward@sammamish.us, jbon@sammamish.us

Cc: Lizette Hedberg <lboberg12@hotmail.com>

Subject: Request permit SSDP2016-00415 Approval: East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B

Dear Sammamish Council Members, City Manager and Staff,

**I urge you to approve the permit SSDP2016-00415** and finish the Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

The already completed trail segments to the north and south are a huge value to nature and the wellbeing of hard working citizens.

The trail aligns with the City of Sammamish vision statement of "*a community of families with vibrant natural features and outstanding recreational opportunities*". Below are a few examples of the benefits and alignment that have been noticed:

- King County(KC) will maintain 65% of the existing significant trees. This is 30% more than the city's new tree retention requirement
- KC plans on replacing the current vegetation that is removed with native plants, trees, and shrubs benefiting the environment and green space for citizens to thrive
- KC will remove private monoculture arborvitae encroachment which is not only unsightly, but unhealthy to our wildlife will be replaced with a healthy PNW landscape
- KC will be replacing 6 fish culverts that are salmon friendly
- KC will provide 26 new driveway improvements that will be properly graded, cement aprons to driveways costing thousands of dollars each
- KC will provide two parking lots for residents without direct access to their homes
- Residents along the trail will experience a well proven increase in property value by living along a national standard trail:
  - Studies from all over the country confirm property values of homes adjacent to recreational bike and walking trails increase significantly.
  - Availability of trails is number 3 on a list of 39 features looked for by home buyers.
  - Real estate agents will always highlight trails in the list of home for sale
  - Recreation trails have been shown to increase property values (taxable home value) by at least \$5,000.
  - Currently there are 2 empty lots where realtors tout the advantages of the trail. One is 0.14 acre going for \$2,000,000 and states "East Lake Samm trail access is steps away across the lane." The other is 0.31 acres, \$1,750,000 and states "Walk out your front door to the nearby East Lake Sammamish walking & biking trail Recreation trails have been shown to increase property values (taxable home value) by at least \$5,000.
  - As an example, my families key bucket list items when buying our most recent home was to live alongside one of our amazing trails, but frankly even in the woods of Kirkland along the new Kirkland Corridor Trail, land plot prices were significantly more expensive than elsewhere.

The trail aligns with the City of Sammamish comprehensive plan relating to both parks and transportation:

- Goal P.1 Provide a network of parks, trails, athletic fields, and open spaces that delivers a variety of active and passive recreational opportunities to the Sammamish community.
- Objective P.1.1 Provide barrier-free (ADA-compliant) access...
- Objective P.3.9 Plan non-motorized trail systems for pedestrian and bicycle access throughout the City and connect adjoining communities through regional linkages.
- Policy T.4.11 Ensure mobility choices for people with special transportation needs, including persons with disabilities, the elderly and the young, and low income populations.
- Policy T.4.8 Integrate the needs of pedestrians and bicyclists in the local and regional transportation plans and systems.

The trail may afford you the designation of a Bike Friendly City by the League of American Bicyclists with the

completion of the AASHTO standard trail. I am sure you are aware that both Redmond and Bellevue have already achieved this acknowledgement as leaders in our Eastside Region. This is a coveted status as it is attractive to healthy intelligent families looking to live in a safe, vibrant community.

The trail will help the City of Sammamish to clean up and enforce boundaries of public property. It is sad to see the blatant disrespect that about 20 private home owners show for our public lands spanning the 100ft path. I am angered that these folks appear to be clear in their efforts to steal public property by grossing overstepping their boundaries of their estates. They have built ugly fences, planted horrific monoculture shrub trees, stored cars and boats and knowingly planting garden plots on our public property. It is time for Sammamish Council and King County to "clean up" our public land and remove the private items and restore the land to a beautiful PNW landscape that benefits the birds, bees, the fish and the lake and the Sammamish and neighboring users of this wonderful public lands. There should be no special treatment for wealthy home owners encroaching on public property. I look forward to you reclaiming our land for public use.

Everyone has spent too many tax dollars and time of the City Council and KC staff that could better have been spent in adding another little park along the trail side by the water. My family, and apparently many Sammamish citizens, LOVE the 2 little lake side parks. We enjoy riding our bikes there and socializing for the day at "our" public lake Sammamish. I am saddened that both Council and a handful of private home owners would battle for 17 years when the home owners are actually benefiting wildly from an amazing trail vs a loud polluting train in their backyard, and in the meantime, the majority of people that want the amazing trail to be completed are neglected.

Sammamish Council, the value and benefits to completing this trail are abundant, so please approve the permit as proposed for Segment B of the trail. Reward your citizenry and the neighboring friends of Lake Sammamish by completing the Eastlake Sammamish Trail so everyone will be able to safely enjoy outdoor activities with their families very soon.

Thank you for taking care of the needs of all the people and of our natural areas,

Sincerely,

Lizette Hedberg

# Re: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Lindsey Ozbolt

Mon 2/6/2017 1:04 PM

To: mxbelle@gmail.com <mxbelle@gmail.com>;

Dear Max,

Thank you for contacting the City of Sammamish regarding the current Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Application for East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B (SSDP2016-00415).

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Regards,

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From: Max Belle <mxbelle@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, January 29, 2017 9:27 PM

To: Lindsey Ozbolt

Subject: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Dear

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I'm writing to express my support for completing the ELST and approving permit SSDP2016-00415.

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When complete, the trail will be an even greater community amenity than in it's interim state, and will provide a safe option for people who bike to travel to and through Sammamish. Please complete the trail.

As an avid rider, I regularly circumnavigate Lake Sammamish. I know that, especially for the more leisurely rider, a proper paved trail would be much safer and attractive as an alternative to the main road.

Sincerely,

Max Belle  
Bellevue, WA 98005

Max Belle  
12115 SE 14th Street  
Bellevue, WA 98005  
425-649-8658

# Re: East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B: Request permit SSDP2016-00415 Approval

Lindsey Ozbolt

Mon 2/6/2017 1:00 PM

To: Shelly Bowman <shellybowman@hotmail.com>;

Dear Shelly,

Thank you for contacting the City of Sammamish regarding the current Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Application for East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B (SSDP2016-00415).

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**From:** Shelly Bowman <shellybowman@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 29, 2017 8:56 AM  
**To:** Lindsey Ozbolt  
**Cc:** Shelly Bowman  
**Subject:** Fwd: East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B: Request permit SSDP2016-00415 Approval

Hi,  
Council Member Valdemara let me know you were reviewing all comments, so as I did not include you in my original email to Sammamish Council, I am forwarding this to you now. See below.

Thank you,  
Shelly Bowman

----- Original message -----

From: Shelly Bowman <ShellyBowman@hotmail.com>  
Date: 1/27/17 11:54 PM (GMT-08:00)  
To: 'dgerend@sammamish.us', Ramiro Valderrama-Aramayo <RValderrama-Aramayo@sammamish.us>, 'thornish@sammamish.us', 'khuckabay@sammamish.us', 'bkeller@sammamish.us', 'cmalchow@sammamish.us', 'todell@sammamish.us', lhoward@sammamish.us, jbon@sammamish.us

Cc: Shelly Bowman <shellybowman@hotmail.com>

Subject: East Lake Sammamish Trail Segment 2B: Request permit SSDP2016-00415 Approval

Dear Sammamish Council Members, City Manager and Staff,

Everyone is excited to see the efforts towards completion of the Segment A of the Eastlake Sammamish Trail. All of my friends in Sammamish and the neighboring cities (Redmond and Issaquah) are thrilled that soon the Eastlake Sammamish Trail maybe completed. I have reviewed the 60% design plans of Segment B, and **I urge you to approve the permit SSDP2016-00415** and finish the Eastlake Sammamish Trail.

My Sammamish friends are part of the 52,253 Sammamish citizens (from a 2015 census estimate), most of which are not lucky enough to live along our beautiful Lake Sammamish, that will benefit by the amazing views of the lake they will have while recreating on a safe trail with healthy PNW vegetation borders. The already completed trail to the north and south are a huge value to nature and the wellbeing of hard working citizens.

To your advantage, the ELST design plans show huge benefits to the City of Sammamish and are in alignment with your vision statement of "*a community of families with vibrant natural features and outstanding recreational opportunities*". Below are a few examples of the benefits and alignment that have been noticed:

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Another win for the city of Sammamish is that the ELST plans appear to align with your city's comprehensive plan relating to both parks and transportation:

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Further, as a point of city pride, Sammamish City may again benefit if they receive the designation of a Bike Friendly City by the League of American Bicyclists with the completion of their AASHTO standard trail. I am sure you are aware that both Redmond and Bellevue have already achieved this acknowledgement as leaders in our Eastside Region. This is a coveted status as it is attractive to healthy intelligent families looking to live in a safe, vibrant community.

On a personal note, I believe your great city will benefit from trail clean up and enforcement of public property protection in Segment B. For example, my family enjoys riding or walking from our amazing Redmond Connection down the north end of the Eastlake Sammamish Trail which are beautifully landscaped with PNW vegetation. However, once we reach the gravel segment of the trail. the experience then changes greatly for us and many others that we have talked with. The main reason is that It is sad to see the blatant disrespect that about 20 private home owners show for our public lands spanning the 100ft path. I am angered that these folks appear to be clear in their efforts to steal public property by grossing overstepping their boundaries of their estates. They have built ugly fences, planted horrific monoculture shrub trees, stored cars and boats and knowingly planting garden plots on our public property. Folks can be fined or worst, imprisoned for stealing the property of others. It is time for these folks, including the ones that had "temporary usage passes" to honor the public property boundaries. Trail or train, there is 100 ft of public land that travels through the land and unless King County is suddenly going to permit all King County Residents the "pass" to plant pea patches or store our kayaks or extra cars on public lands, it is time for Sammamish Council and King County to "clean up" our public land and remove the private items and restore the land to a beautiful PNW landscape that benefits the birds, bees, the fish and the lake and the Sammamish and neighboring users of this wonderful public lands. There should be no special treatment for wealthy home owners encroaching on public property. I look forward to you reclaiming our land for public use. From the picturesque natural setting of the KC completed trail to the north and south of Segment B, it is clear that Sammamish stands to benefit immensely from the naturalization of the 100 ft wide segment being restored to nature's use and the publics use.

On a cost note, it is unimaginable how many tax dollars in Sammamish and King County have been spent over 17 years fighting to allow a few private home owners to "take" public property vs awarding the majority of the Sammamish citizens the rights and benefit to a joyous national standard trail, a greenway in your city which will bring so many benefits to the majority of your people. Nothing is being taken away from the private home owners that bought lake front property along a railroad line. Instead, they are receiving a windfall and should be rejoicing more than anyone that they get a fabulous trail with beautiful landscaping instead.

Sammamish Council, the value and benefits to completing this trail are abundant, so please approve the permit as proposed for Segment B of the trail. Reward your citizenry and the neighboring friends of Lake Sammamish by completing the Eastlake Sammamish Trail so everyone will be able to safely enjoy outdoor activities with their families very soon.

Thank you for consideration.

Kind Regards,

Shelly Bowman

# Re: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

tom radley <tomradley@msn.com>

Mon 2/6/2017 1:08 PM

To:Lindsey Ozbolt <LOzbolt@sammamish.us>;

## Thank You!

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**From:** Lindsey Ozbolt <LOzbolt@sammamish.us>

**Sent:** Monday, February 6, 2017 1:01 PM

**To:** tomradley@msn.com

**Subject:** Re: Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

Dear Tom,

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**From:** Tom Radley <tomradley@msn.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, January 29, 2017 1:08 PM

**To:** Lindsey Ozbolt

**Subject:** Please Approve the Permit for Segment 2B of the ELST

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As proposed in the permit, priority at trail crossings should be given to the trail and trail users. Consistent crossing priority is intuitive and safe for users of both the trail and the driveways and roads that cross the trail.

When complete, the trail will be an even greater community amenity, and provide a safe option for people who bike to travel to and through Sammamish. Please complete the trail.

I am a volunteer Trail Ambassador for this trail with King County. I ride this trail once or twice a week. Since they paved the two ends of the trail, I noticed a vast increase of usage of this trail. The biggest increase has been families with small children. They are not able to ride on the gravel trail.

I lived on Lake Sammamish for 30 years and was for this trail since the beginning. Many of my neighbors were against, but once it was built they changed their minds and used the trail. If you pave it they will come.

The people that are now opposing the paving have one reason and one reason only. Where they live the easement goes from the centerline of the trail to the lake. They did not pay for waterfront and do not own waterfront. If they can keep the number of people down that use the trail, it

helps them when they go to sell. They use to have to cross the RR tracks to get to the lake. Anything that they can do to stop or impede the trail is to their personal gain.

Do the right thing for all the people and approve this permit.

Sincerely,

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