From: Peggy Michael Reddy
To: "ELST Master Plan"

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Subject: 170306 ELST South Samm B - Reddy - Clearing and Grubbing Limits

Date: Monday, March 6, 2017 8:50:32 AM

Dear Kelly: I'm not asking that King County move the trail east. I'm asking that you KEEP IT WHERE IT IS and NOT MOVE IT WEST. It is folly to think there cannot be a mitigation solution regarding the wetland which I challenge is less valuable than the 60+ year-old trees and other landscaping that are marked for destruction. In Seattle I recently saw that the County (or City) has signs for old trees as worth \$38,000 and up which are in a construction zone and they are marked as "to save". Is there no value placed on the trees to be removed to accommodate the County's position? I totally think someone who understands the ability to mitigate issues around the wetland would make the change (to keep the trail at its current location) and to save the trees, shrubs, and landscaping, not to mention it would reduce the costs to clear tons material and to avoid the costs to move utilities and irrigations systems. The County's response to my concerns is the same tale I've been hearing for a very long time. I get your point. My argument is let's find someone who knows that the so-called "wetland" issue can be mitigated. Who is that person or authority who will see the common sense not to change the trail location only to widen it rather than moving it west? What I don't understand is why the trail, in fact, is scheduled to meander EAST into the wetlands just south of the location where the 60% plan shows that it is supposed to meander WEST? Leaving the trail at its current location will avoid the removal of 10 trees and 10s of \$1,000s of dollars in mature landscaping. I understand the County's position. I don't agree with it. The County's position appears to me as sheer stubbornness and unwillingness to find the logical solution. What I'm asking of King County it to find a solution, please. Please.

Dear Lindsey: Please let me know when I can meet personally with the City and I invite you to my location to see the unbelievable ridiculousness of the County's proposed plan. Please let me know a good time for City officials to visit and I will clear my calendar to meet you and others to stress the logic of my request; that is, NOT TO MOVE THE TRAIL WEST and NOT TO MOVE IT FROM IT'S CURRENT LOCATION and find a way to mitigate the County's excuse that the trail must be moved west from its current location because of the wetland. The trail has been at the same location for DECADES when Burlington Northern ran its trains along the same location. Why move it now? The County can mitigate the wetlands issue if it so chooses. It has the power to do so. Until then I appeal to you and to the City to require that the County not move the trail from its current position except as needed to comply with trail width design plans. Thank you for your review of this situation.

I'm a huge trail supporter and I'm very happy to have the trail as my neighbor. To all trail users and cyclist friends, I welcome them as neighbors.

Thank you for your consideration and time.

Regards, Peggy 929 East Lake Sammamish Shore Lane SE 206.484.4845

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Dear Ms. Reddy,

Thank you for your interest in the East Lake Sammamish Trail Project. Please see the attached regarding your email and call from March 3, 2017. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

Kelly Donahue Community Engagement

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