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Re: Lower Basin Trail Network

To Whom It May Concern:

9B Trails in Bonners Ferry, Idaho, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with the goal of creating and maintaining walking, running, hiking, biking, and Nordic trails in Boundary County, Idaho, while also preserving and protecting our natural resources for today, tomorrow, and generations to come.

Our volunteers consist of outdoor enthusiasts from all walks of life and backgrounds. Together with community involvement and relationships, 9B Trails' mission is to provide accessible, non-motorized, public trails in the local area through advocacy, planning, and partnering with other like-minded individuals, entities, and organizations.

Pend Oreille Pedalers (POP) is one such like-minded organization and is the undeniable leader in building and maintaining well-designed non-motorized trails. The Lower Basin Trail Network (LBT) is a prime example of the kind of trails POP develops for the public's use and enjoyment. This trail segment is also an integral part of the surrounding Watershed Crest Trail system, and was voted number one amongst trail enthusiasts as the most desired out of 109 trails proposed for area development.

POP intends to build out the LBT to offer users more options, including a designated downhill only route to increase safety and excitement while also providing a gentler up and downhill route that will be an attractive option for hikers, runners, and less aggressive bikers.

Once completed, the Lower Basin Trail Network, and the Watershed Crest Trail system as a whole, will provide an epic, well designed, multi-use trail system that will be one of the best in the surrounding area, thereby benefitting all trail enthusiasts throughout the region. A win-win for the entire community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tess Rae', is written over a thin horizontal line.

Tess Rae,
9B Trails President