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Dear Front Country Trails Task Force and Agency Staff:

The Santa Barbara Mountain Bike Trail Volunteers (501c3 non-profit) is trails advocacy organization composed of mountain bicyclists and other trail users. For the last twenty years, our mission has been to advocate for trail access, provide sustainable trail maintenance, and to educate the trails community about respectful trail use for the greater benefit of Santa Barbara County. SBMTV demonstrates our mission by volunteering more that 2000 hours each year to trail maintenance, trail user education, and trail stewardship.

As part of our mission, SBMTV has reviewed the Trails Management Recommendation submitted to the Front Country Trails Task Force by the Santa Barbara County Trails Council. SBMTV supports the Trails Council management recommendation. SBMTV has extensively researched trail management and believes that the Trails Council recommendation represents widely adopted and contemporary management strategies that can be used to build an enjoyable, equitable, and sustainable trail system in Santa Barbara.

Attached are two documents. The first document details the pros and cons of different parts of a management strategy. The second document details SBMTV's position on the previous Front Country Trails Working Group Recommendation and applies to the Trails Council Recommendation.

For the Santa Barbara Mountain Bike Trail Volunteers Board:

Sincerely,

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President, Santa Barbara Mountain Bike Trail Volunteers