Appendix H

Tabulation of Trail Requirements Rankings

Gallatin County Trail Ideas
Priority Evaluation
Correct Form Completion

A total of 63 evaluation forms were submitted by the public. Of the 63, 45 were correctly filled out, providing discrimenating ordering to the four lists.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
TRAIL FUNCTIONS							
Transportation	14	21	8				
Education	1	5	32				
Recreation	28	15					
Other (A)	2	2	1				
Totals	45	43	41				
TRAIL USAGE							
Bicycling	11	26	7				
Walking/Running/Hiking	34	10					
Snowmobiling							
Motorcycle/OHV			1				
Horseback Riding			8				
XC Skiing		8	28				
Other (B)		1	1				
Totals	45	45	45				
NEW TRAIL DEVELOPMENT							
Safety Improvement	26	6	7	3	3		
Natural Features	10	15	8	6	2	3	
Economic Development			2	4	7	20	8
Handicap Access		1	2	10	15	11	3
Connecting Amenities	8	16	11	10			
Access to Trailheads		6	15	10	10	4	
Other (C)	1	1		1	5	2	4
Totals	45	45	45	44	42	40	15
NEW TRAIL FUNDING							
County Bond	13	3	10				
City/County Grants	15	18	12				
Private Funding	5	7	8				
Subdivision Parkland	11	17	13				
Other (D)	1		2				
Totals	45	45	45				

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"OTHER" COMMENTS

A   Group activities (group cycle outings, runs, fund drives, etc.)
     Wildlife watching
     Non-motorized recreation
     Safety for children going to/from school
     Decrease dependency on automobile

B   Snowshoeing
     No motorized vehicles - that's what roads are for

C   Peaceful, good air quality
     Complete a network of trails that are interconnected
     Connecting city/county through donut
     Providing access to natural areas that are ecologically significant
     Motorized trails (snowmobile, ATV)
     Getting children to/from school
     Build as economically as possible so we can have many
     Allowing for some sort of horse trails
     Quiet solitude
     Creating more loops - connecting segments of trails into a whole pattern
     Furnishing an alternative to SUVs for commuting to work
     Provide an alternative, reasonably safe means around the community avoiding smog & congestion
     Provide opportunites for access to natural areas and recreational opportunities

D   Community service sentences (this will reduce the need for funding)
     Volunteer construction efforts
     Creating county park district

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Priority Evaluation
Incorrect Form Completion

A total of 63 evaluation forms were submitted by the public. Of the 63, 18 were incorrectly filled out. The tabulated results do not show proper discrimenation.

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
TRAIL FUNCTIONS								
Transportation		8	6	3				
Education		1	5	8				
Recreation		12	4					
Other (A)			1					
	Totals	21	16	11				
TRAIL USAGE								
Bicycling		7	5	1				
Walking/Running/Hiking		8	4					
Snowmobiling		2	1	3			1	
Motorcycle/OHV		2		4		1		
Horseback Riding		2	3	3	1			
XC Skiing		2	4	3	1			
Other (B)			1					
	Totals	23	18	14	2	1	1	
NEW TRAIL DEVELOPMENT								
Safety Improvement		15				1	1	1
Natural Features		5	3	5	2	3		
Economic Development		2		2	2	1	6	5
Handicap Access		2	2	3	5	5	1	
Connecting Amenities		6	5	1	2	3		1
Access to Trailheads		5	4	2	1	2	4	
Other (C)		1					1	1
	Totals	36	14	13	12	15	13	8
NEW TRAIL FUNDING								
County Bond		4	2	6				
City/County Grants		7	8	1				
Private Funding		3	1	6				
Subdivision Parkland		6	3	2				
Other (D)		1						
	Totals	21	14	15				

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"OTHER" COMMENTS
A   Safety & conservtion
B   Blading
C   Easy access from parking lot to trailhead with restroom facilities at trailhead
      More multi-use trails
      Conserving energy - alternative to using cars
D   Funding allocated by State of Montana to jump start & maintain trails

Is there anything else the Trails Committee should know.
66 questionnaires or letters were returned.
25 questionnaires had an answer to this question.
Responses have been placed in every category that the response applied to.

Environment
- Plant trees! (33)
- Besides safety my other concern is pollution & pet fees. Also out in Belgrade on our trail I would like more trees & flowers. (41)
- Trails should <u>not be</u> canyons squeezed in by development and lacking peace and quiet. (44)

Development
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Planning
- I'm not sure if this pertains to Gallatin Co., but Rails to Trails has accomplished some wonderful projects utilizing old railroad rights of way. (4)
- Big Sky trail [along 191] was ridiculously expensive. Trails need not be this wide or paved. (8)
- Look into using existing but unused rail beds. Consult with Rails to Trails, Inc. in a cooperative effort. (11)
- Yes, please tabulate these 4 meeting results to be incorporated into the Transportation Plan by 6/15 along with the City/Cty. GPS project, Bzn. 2020 Master Plan & county growth policy to be approved by the TCC on 5/17 as "Post II" group. (12)
- As part of this effort, both the city and county commissions should be persuaded to change their master plans to ban development in 100 yr. Flood plains. (13)
- Highest priority for non-motorized trails. (23)
- Separate trails that are motorized from non-motorized trails. (23)
- Places in Oregon & California (& other states) have "Rails to Trails" segments. Is there a national organization from which you can obtain funds toi convert of rail road rights-of-way to trails? (50)

Motorized Vehicles
- Get rid of snowmobiles & ATV use. They are bad for Gallatin County. (6)
- Highest priority for non-motorized trails. (23)
- Separate trails that are motorized from non-motorized trails. (23)
- Ban motor use from damaged trails such as New World Gulch – Bear Canyon. (23)
- Keep trails non-motorized. (34)
- ATV's & lesser extent, trail bikes already have a trail along parts of Hwy. 191 in Gallatin Gateway. (59)

Pets
- Besides safety my other concern is pollution & pet fees. Also out in Belgrade on our trail I would like more trees & flowers. (41)

Funding
- Big Sky trail [along 191] was ridiculously expensive. Trails need not be this wide or paved. (8)
- Wheatland Hills Home Owners Assc. Has a committee dedicated to getting a trail <u>along Springhill Road</u>. We would likely be able to rally support from our area in the form of donated labor and/or equipment to help with the development of a trail in our area. (37)
- Where to get ten million dollars! If I knew, you would have it! (46)

Maintenance
- Perhaps this already happens, but if not … maybe organizations like Boy scouts, Girl Scouts, etc., can adopt some of your trails to help with maintenance. (2)

Trail Routes
- Wheatland Hills Home Owners Assc. Has a committee dedicated to getting a trail <u>along Springhill Road</u>. We would likely be able to rally support from our area in the form of donated labor and/or equipment to help with the development of a trail in our area. (37)

Praise and Comments
- Keep up the good work. (1)
- Thanks for pursuing this. (5)
- Good Luck. (32)
- I have been in many communities where trails are established in & around the area. It definitely enhances the beauty & reason for visiting the area. (39)
- I see/hear positive responses for more trails. (42)
- Keep up the good work. (43)
- Keep up the good work. (52)
- Thank you for your efforts. Planning is essential as well as implementation. Hopefully we can turn these dreams into reality. (61)