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NAME OF PERSONS CONTACTED:	ORGANIZATION:	TELEPHONE OR EMAIL:	
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SUBJECT: Mtn of the Rogue Trail

SUMMARY: █████ had called Nick about the bike trail, and was interested in knowing more about options for equestrian trails, so he referred her to me. She had also heard about the 6/25 RVETA meeting that I had been at, and wanted more information about why the trail was not being planned for equestrian use. She lives up Queens Branch Rd and rides with others from the Wimer area. Because she has relatives who have worked for BLM in the past, she said she can sympathize with the balancing acts we do in our jobs.

She was asked by her equestrian group to call and see what they could do to find riding options in the bike trail project area. She said her group wanted a tour by BLM of the proposed project area. I explained how the bike trail project came about, and that it was proposed, scouted, and planned by a local biking group, and that if equestrian groups did the same thing, BLM would respond to their request. I explained that unless agreements could be worked out with private landowners, that it was best to look for blocks or linked areas of public lands for trails and trailheads.

She asked for maps, so I offered to print up 1inch to the mile transportation maps which show ownership for her group to use, and left them at the front desk for her to pick up later in the week.

NAME OF PERSON DOCUMENTING CONVERSATION	SIGNATURE	DATE
Trish Lindaman		7/17/13
ACTION REQUIRED: Get maps to her		
SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
	Recreation Planner	7/17/13



Lindaman, Patricia <tlindama@blm.gov>

Fwd: Trail...

1 message

MD_Mail, BLM_OR <blm_or_md_mail@blm.gov>
To: Patricia Lindaman <tlindama@blm.gov>

Fri, Jul 12, 2013 at 8:48 AM

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From:

Date: Fri, Jul 12, 2013 at 7:26 AM

Subject: Trail...

To: BLM_OR_MD_Mail@blm.gov

I know it's beyond the date to respond, but I just wanted to say that our family would be very excited about having a mountain biking trail in the Rogue Valley! Sounds like a great project.

Thank you,

Bureau of Land Management
Attention: Irish Lindaman or Nick McDaniel
3040 Biddle Road
Medford, Oregon 97504

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From:

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July 31, 2013

MEDFORD DISTRICT OFFICE
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Gold Hill, Oregon 97525

phone:

Jackson County, Ore.

Subject: More thoughts on "Mountain of The Rogue Trail."

Good open house. Lots of information to think over, leading to more questions. I appreciate your prompt phone call to help me with my questions. Thank you so much.

Questions you helped with.

1. Red trail - 5ft wide/10ft clearing on each side. Down traffic only due to speed.
2. Green trail - 3ft wide/10 clearing on each side. Hikers / up hill bike traffic / possibly down hill slower bikers.

Do my concerns are still the same on this green trail. Problems between hikers and bikers as has happened in Ashland.

3. Proposed trail across the top.
Red trail or green trail? You did say
this trail would be narrower than
3 feet. Would it be cleared 10 ft. on
each side or is the area pretty
much open?

How fast would bikers travel
on this trail? Would bikers walk
the trail or just walk at random
along the route?

Something I failed to mention in my
first letter, though I did mention the deer, elk
and turkeys.

The left fork of Sardine Creek road
travels up hill till it reaches the crest over
into the Evans Creek drain area.

Then the road make a large U turn
south and goes down the ridge toward the
Rogue river.

The hunters have used this area
that I know of since 1961 when I moved
to this location.

at times hunters ect. have walked
down onto my property to reach Sardine Creek
road after a hunt through the area.

In the past I have allowed some hunters to cross my property to hunt up toward the ridge.

Will this be one of the roads or areas used by BLM for the red/green trail across the top? Will hunters be allowed to use area?

4. Would the zig zag trail down to Sardine Creek road be a red trail/green trail? You thought it would possibly be a green trail.

So my concerns on the Sardine Creek trail are the same. Problems between bikers/hikers. Also the need for a parking area/pick up spot for those not wishing to return to the Rogue River trail head.

When I called you stated not to worry about the trail across the top or the Sardine Creek part of trail as it may never be built.

yet your first letter and open house letter list the project area bordered by North River Road on south, East Evans Creek Road.

on west and Sardine Creek Road on east.
The northernmost section lines for sections
34, 35 and 36 in Township 35 South, Range 4
west and sections 31 and 32 in Township
35 South, Range 3 West on north.

I feel you have drawn the lines for
the proposed project as a whole, even if
not all completed now. They will be filed
for later use. So in a way I feel these
proposed trails are there now and in the
future.

Don't ask me to feel they may never
be built. Especially if the trail use grows
as the bike group hopes they will.

So my comments and concerns
are on the whole area as presented in
your letters.

again thanks for the returned
phone call and help. I know you are busy
and I appreciate the time you gave me.

[REDACTED]
Gold Hill, Oregon 97525

Phone [REDACTED]

P.S. Open house card mailed 7/15/2013. Open house held
7/24/2013. Only 9 days notice. Not enough notice.



Lindaman, Patricia <tlindama@blm.gov>

Mountain of the Rogue Trail Public Meeting Comment

1 message

[REDACTED]

Fri, Aug 2, 2013 at 8:29 AM

To: tlindama@blm.gov

Hello Trish,

I didn't have time to write and submit my comment sheet at the public meeting the other night at the church in Rogue River. I'm hoping that this email can be used in the same way. My comment is below...

[REDACTED]

Ashland, OR

I fully support this project. The demand for additional trails is has been and continues to grow - this is made clear by the significant amount of illegal trail building that has been done throughout the West in the past 10 years. This has led to unsafe and environmentally unsound construction of trails. Aside from the growing recreation facility demand by the public, establishment of additional trails supports public health and fitness, as well as giving kids and teens healthy, positive activities to participate in. Again, I fully support this project.

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MEDFORD DISTRICT OFFICE
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Gold Hill, OR 97525

August 26, 2013

Bureau of Land Management

Attention: Dayne Barron, Nick McDonald & Trish Lindeman

Typical of government agencies you purposely mailed out your Scoping Notice on a three day holiday so we were unable to speak to your representative until the following week.

On 5/24/13 I was able to speak to Patricia at Pacific Power about their easement that runs through our 140 acres. She assured me they have nothing to do with your proposed Mountain Bike of the Rogue Trail.

I tried four times between 8:15 and 9:38 to reach Trish but there was no answer. 5/31/13 at 1570 I was finally able to speak with Trish. I explained in detail our opposition to this proposed Mountain of the Rogue Trail as it will allow easy access to the ridge behind our property and the Pacific Power easement. We have experienced many trespassers in the past forty-two years we've owned this property. BLM borders our 140 acres on two sides. Your proposed point of contact on Sardine Ck. Rd is a sheer rock cliff on one of the worst curves (a basically blind curve) on Sardine Ck Rd which will be dangerous to both the bikers + those of us who use this road daily. Many of the trespassers that come over the powerline easement have been armed and actually threatening as they want to use our driveway to exit on to Sardine Ck Rd. If the sheriff would actually respond the response time is about forty-five minutes.

When I spoke with Trish 5/31/13 I asked to be kept advised of the meetings for public opinion so my husband, son + I could openly express our opposition to this proposal. As I never received any notification it seems apparent that only [redacted] who wisely sent a certified letter received notification of the meeting for 7/24/13. She did not trust BLM to actually keep property owners who oppose this development informed.

Seems obvious BLM invited only those who support their proposal like the water advisory board for the Klamath River dam removal where 19 members of the 23 person task force are dedicated pro dam removal and are associated with the organization who will profit financially from removal of the dams + then cleanup after. So who will be profiting from this bike trail? Certainly not the property owners. This type of behavior is exactly why we have LCDC. On the water task force no property owners or members of the Klamath Indian tribes are represented.

We are very upset to hear the bike path will 4' wide with an additional 10' clearance on either side this affords easy access for 4 wheelers both motorcycle and truck. This will markedly increase our risk of fire. During the Evans Creek fire our entire property was burned. This will also increase the risks to our livestock from gates kept open and worst of all the risk of our dogs being shot. 6-7-08 someone trespassing shot our ridgeback border collie cross. His vet bill was \$6000.00.

We are definitely opposed to this proposal. This project is not necessary with the new trail on Roxg Ann + expansion of the one on Mt Ashland.

Another concern is where the bikers will park at each end of this trail. As [redacted] mentioned this concern at the 7/24/13 meeting and felt she was ridiculed for even questioning.

I would like a copy of the environmental impact study also. Just so you are aware it was our property that allowed the logging to harvest the dead timber on your BLM land + then the deforestation so we are supporters of keeping our BLM lands healthy.

Concerned Property Owners,
[redacted]



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Fwd: Attention: Trish Lindaman or Nick McDaniel

1 message

MD_Mail, BLM_OR <blm_or_md_mail@blm.gov>
To: Patricia Lindaman <tlindama@blm.gov>

Fri, Sep 6, 2013 at 2:42 PM

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: Fri, Sep 6, 2013 at 1:44 PM
Subject: Attention: Trish Lindaman or Nick McDaniel
To: "BLM_OR_MD_Mail@blm.gov" <BLM_OR_MD_Mail@blm.gov>
Cc: Wineteer L <mwinetee@blm.gov>

September , 2013

Hello Trish, Nick, and Jon,

My name is [REDACTED] and I am conservation chair of the Siskiyou Chapter, Native Plant Society of Oregon.

I am interested in being a part of The Mountain of the Rogue Trail Project and would like to receive future mailings and project information.

In particular, might you have any updates since the scoping notice regarding planning for protection of natural Gentner's Fritillary resources that I could share with our members at a meeting September 19th?

Thank you very much,
[REDACTED]



Fwd: Attention: Nick McDaniels

MD_Mail, BLM_OR <blm_or_md_mail@blm.gov>
To: Nicholas McDaniel <nmcdanie@blm.gov>

Fri, Oct 18, 2013 at 10:44 AM

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: Fri, Oct 18, 2013 at 8:12 AM
Subject: Attention: Nick McDaniels
To: "blm_or_md_mail@blm.gov" <blm_or_md_mail@blm.gov>

Hi Nick,

Great meeting you this past summer at the open house. I was just thinking about the proposed Mountain of the Rogue trail the other day and can't wait to someday be riding it on a regular basis. I'd like to sign up for any email news on the project if that's possible.

Also, I've got a friend, [REDACTED], that's very interested in working for the BLM as an Outdoor Recreation Planner. I remember that there was a position open this past summer in your office, was that ever filled? He'll be graduating this December with a Bachelor of Science in Forest Management and Ecology from the University of Nevada, Reno and is ready to get to work.

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ODOT Region 3, District 8 (Rogue Valley Tech Center)

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