

# Save Our Trails!



Promoting trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all

June 11, 2020

Board of Directors  
Open Space Authority  
33 Las Colinas Lane  
San Jose CA 95119

**Subject:** Letter of Support for the Coyote Meadows: From Concept to Activation Project

To Members of the Board of Directors:

**Save Our Trails: Connecting Santa Clara County Communities** is a California Not-for-Profit Corporation whose mission is *“To promote trails in Santa Clara County for the benefit and enjoyment of all.”*

**Save Our Trails** wishes to voice our support for the application of Keep Coyote Creek Beautiful for their “Coyote Meadows: From Concept to Activation” Project. Coyote Meadows is a key element of the urban trail network in the Santa Clara Valley, as it is the locus of the intersection of three individual trails: the Five Wounds Trail, with its connection to the Five Wounds BART Station; the Coyote Creek Trail, which will extend south some twenty miles to the Anderson Lake County Park in Morgan Hill; and the Three Creeks Trail, which will traverse San Jose to provide access to Tamien Station, to downtown (via the Guadalupe River Trail), and to Diridon Station (via the Los Gatos Creek Trail).

Save Our Trails believes that a vibrant park area, frequented by visitors, is critically needed to combat the neglect and decay that has blighted this part of San Jose. The Coyote Meadows Coalition has demonstrated its ability in past projects to gather substantial community support in various clean-up efforts, and consequently show every evidence of being a good steward of grant funds and every promise of being able to bring the project to a successful conclusion.

They show they have earned the community’s trust and are exceedingly deserving of the support of the Open Space Authority.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Rankin".

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