

Subject: [Fwd: An Open Letter to Eric Pettit]
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Subject: An Open Letter to Eric Pettit
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To: Eric Pettit <eric@dongurneyarchitect.com>
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Dear Mr. Pettit (also known as mountain biker, "King of E-Ville" on NSMB.com bb) and others who have joined the following "thread":

[North Shore Mountain Biking Forums :: Trail News/Maintenance](#) :: **Name the switchbacks**

It is a shame that there is so much immaturity among mountain biking adults that they can not just leave well enough alone. Are things so boring in life you have to just call the dogs out again? Has having Fromme/Mountain View Park approved for mountain biking by DNV Council taken the fun out of riding and building there? It seems so by the tone of the recent thread on the nsmb bb:

<http://bb.nsmb.com/showthread.php?t=7104>

What am I supposed to think when I see suggestions for names of switchbacks above Mountain View Park and pond as feeble attempts at taunts towards Mr. Crist, myself, and the "species at risk"--Red Legged Frog? You may think it is hilarious, or perhaps even take it seriously?, as you choose names for mountain bike trails that are detrimental to the future survival of the park and pond. As you all already know, I take environmental conservation seriously. Threats to the viability of the North Shore forests' biodiversity and ecology in the form of future development and "extreme" recreational overuse is not a joke, boys and girls.

I do not want to know the reasons for this latest thread, but it clearly shows that environmental "sensitivity training" is sorely needed. But anyone who believes this is possible with mountain bikers, such as you and others, is sorely in need of an education themselves. Grow up, people! Leave the Cravers, Ernie Crist and the Red-Legged Frog

out of your immature "name the switchback" games. I (we) do not wish to be associated with your eco-vandalism of our natural parks and forests in any shape or form. I hope you can respect my request in a mature way. Thank you.

--Monica Craver--