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Dear Mrs Craver;

Thank you for this email - a picture a thousand words but only if the cerebral cortex sees what the picture or the photo portrays. I am sending this on to Mayor and Council without comment. The appropriate comment, would be the foreword from the Song of Bernadette. "For those who believe no explanation is necessary and for those who do not, none is possible".

Ernie Crist

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Subject: Kamloops bike ranch an eyesore!

Dear friends: The newest blight--Kamloops, BC bike ranch (in the Interior, north-east of us) But first, a word from a local bike rider about the risks of mtn biking.

--Monica Craver--

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2 points,

1, each one of us risks breaking our neck and paralisis every time we ride on the shore, it is a flaw in the design of the human body. our necks just aren't designed for taking big hits. this is a risk we all must accept and be willing to live with before we decide to do this sport. I don't care if you racing, freeriding or what ever. If you are pushing the higher end of this sport, you have to know that this is a very real outcome of a small mistake. That said, I think anyone who participates in this sport should not be allowed to sue for injuries. The moment you throw your leg over the frame and start down a rock struen mountain, your on your own.

2. As an ex-lifeguard and industrial first aid card holder, it is getting scarier and scarier to help people these days. It is getting to the point (and I've had this conversation with other First Aid People) where you are just hoping an accident doesn't happen near you cause you don't want to be involved due to the liability of dealing with an injury and then getting sued for it later. There is a really weird clause that lawyers can use too against First Aid people, and it goes something like this, "if you are trained in first aid, and are close to the accident or see it but don't get involved, you can be liable for not helping the injured person." So your dam'd if you do and dam'd if you don't. I wish we could just get back to a society where everyone takes responsibility for thier own actions, and if a person is trying to help you, than they are free from liability as a good samariton.

I understand if the first aid personel cause additional injury to the victim, then there is some level of responsibiliy, but if it was in the best intrest of the victim, and was an accident too, it shouldn't be a legal issue.

Welcome to "E-ville"
population "Me"

Now read about this newly "clearcut" bike park/dirt-jumps, etc. (A blight on the environment --void of any vegetation -- an eyesore). Don't you think this will cause more accidents, especially to the "flaws" in human body design? This is what mountain bikers want -- a lack of any aesthetic value. They helped "design" it. Hard on the neck, back, body,... and the eyes.

The Ranch - Kamloops Mountain Bike Park

Grand Opening July 2 and 3, 2005

It's been a long time in the making but 2005 will see the culmination of a lot of hard work by a lot of dedicated people. The KBRA (Kamloops Bike Riding Association) and the City of Kamloops have united in a joint effort to make The Ranch a reality.

The DH/Freeride Trails || Photo - Tyler Meade Photography
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On the behalf of the KBRA and the City of Kamloops, we would like to invite the mountain bike community to the Grand Opening of The Ranch on July 2 and 3, 2005. Manufacturers and retailers will be there, and people from all aspects of the industry have been invited. There will also be live music and food, all of which is good for the soul.

The BMX Track-B.C. Provincials opening weekend || Photo - Tyler Meade Photography <<http://www.tylermeadephotography.com>>

Phase One of the Ranch includes a jump park, an A Line-type downhill track and a BMX track. One of the keys to success for our park is keeping moisture on the trails; we are working closely with the City of Kamloops and Toro to develop a solution to control dust. Phase Two and Three will be completed over the next several years with ongoing updates to the park, six downhill tracks, a 4X track and a feasibility study for lift-access riding.

First table in a set of four, dig the view || Photo - Tyler Meade Photography <<http://www.tylermeadephotography.com>>

A big part of the success of The Ranch depends on volunteer work. Thousands of man hours have already gone into development. Special thanks to Curt Doyle, Matt Hunter, Dusrin Windross, Taylor Hollstedt and Kevin O'Brien. 21 volunteers took two days to build a 1,700 metre snake-rail fence. Also huge props to the Board of Directors of the KBRA and the City of Kamloops.

DH Track begging for riders on Opening Day || Photo - Tyler Meade Photography <<http://www.tylermeadephotography.com>>

We are looking forward to seeing riders from across the province come

out for the Grand Opening for a chance to ride a great track and party down in Kamloops.


For general inquiries, please contact Gordon White <<mailto:Gordon.White@ainsworth.ca>> . For marketing inquiries or manufacturers/retailers wanting to participate in the Grand Opening, please contact Scott Dorrett. <<mailto:sdorrett@shaw.ca>>

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