

**Subject: FW: No safe trails left on Fromme!**

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This email is from a District citizen:

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To: Mayor and Council - DNV  
Cc: James Ridge  
Subject: No safe trails left on Fromme!

Dear Mayor and Council: It is clear that "hikers" are not interested in the type of trail building that mountain bikers do. Multi-use trails are dangerous for hikers where bikes are involved. Most of the hikers I meet along that stretch hike during the weekday mornings and early afternoon. Many do not bother hiking on weekends and late afternoon/evenings, while the mountain bikers are out in force. Those who do have had altercations with some of these riders, but most do not go running to Council to complain. If they did, there would be less "multi-use" trails. Some of us are more vocal than others. But I hear the stories all the time.

If these folk cannot sit down and write a letter to you, perhaps it is because they feel the "fix" is in to cater to the bikers -- allowing them permission to transform the Baden Powell trail into a multi-use trail, leaving nowhere safe for hikers to hike. The bikers have an agenda, and many hikers do not want to get involved because this agenda will mean there will be no safe and serene places to hike for them anymore. Please cancel such "trail days" until this whole Fromme thing is looked at properly.

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A moratorium on trail building, etc. would give staff a chance to see what trails are not "bike worthy". Frankly, after the last heavy rains, these trails should have been decommissioned rather than repaired. And the Baden Powell should remain a hiking only trail, not multi-purpose. There are no hiking only trails in Mountain View Park. And the one hiking trail has been decommissioned. There is something terribly wrong with this picture. Enough already, folks! Stop "dithering".  
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Posted by dirty deeds on 03-01-2005 08:28 PM:

QUOTE:  
Originally posted by grj  
plan the next multi user day right away!

if there is a next one, I hope we get a better ratio of  
mtbr/hiker(runner) than 120 to 3

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