

Subject: [Fwd: Don't put a stop to mountain biking on the north shore]

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Dear Staff & Concillors,

I am not a mountain biker but I fully support the sport because we live in a world where too many young people are over-weight and out of shape because they play too many video games and spend far too much time sitting around eating and watching TV. Mountain biking is a great sport for people of all ages and skill level and I'd much rather see young people out on the trails mountain biking as opposed to drinking and doing drugs and getting into trouble. Shutting down Fromme mountain until the Alpine study has been completed is a ridiculous idea. Wait until you've received all the pertinent info from the Alpine Study before you make any decisions with regards to trail closures.

I hike the north shore trails quite a bit and whenever I do encounter mountain bikers I always find them to be very friendly and courteous. I'd prefer to see Fromme kept as a mountain biking area so that hikers and other users of the north shore trails don't have to run into mountain bikers very often. If you shut down Fromme to mountain bikers this will push the mountain bikers onto other hiking/walking trails and essentially cause more problems than it will fix.

Leave them be and wait until you've collected all your data before making any decisions.

Sincerely,

Tracy Odell

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