

Legislature Name Recipient
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Re: Proposed Rulemaking California State Parks

Dear Mr./Mrs. Legislature Recipient,

I am writing on behalf of COMPANY NAME based in CITY, California. BRIEF COMPANY PROFILE DESCRIPTION. We provide X NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES amount of employment opportunities within the US and generate X NUMBER OF REVENUES in revenues per year. As a proud supporter of the International Mountain Bicycling Association (IMBA) we believe in the values of their mission to create, enhance and preserve great trail experiences for mountain bikers worldwide.

While mountain biking has an extremely diverse history many believe mountain biking began in Northern California. Our sport has grown from the era of the Klunker to cutting edge research and development of modern day technologies and quality engineered products that continue to raise the bar and provide new experiences to cycling enthusiasts across the globe. Today the cycling industry employs over 6 million professionals in the United States with a significant portion of those professionals residing within the state of California. From quality of life for our employees to the terrain to test our products California's State Parks provide a critical component of our business.

Right now California State Parks is proposing new regulations that would negatively impact trail access for mountain bikers. The proposed regulation reads; "Unless designated by the Department, all trails are open to pedestrians and closed to all other uses." This would substantially limit trail access for mountain bicycles and add a substantial burden in opening them. We request that you contact California State Parks and urge them to adopt regulations that provide appropriate access to human powered recreationalists such as mountain bicyclists. Our proposed regulations are as follows:

§ 4360 Section in Title 14, Division 3 of the Natural Resources Code.

State park trails are open to non-motorized users including hikers, bicyclists, and equestrians unless otherwise designated. Trail use designations are established based upon user needs, visitor safety and environmental sustainability. This includes access to trails in Reserves and Preserves, as defined in PRC Sections 5019.65, 5019.71 and 5019.74, where particular emphasis will be placed upon importance of public access to the area, or desirability of providing important connection to other trails, provided impacts to special resources for which the area was established will be less than significant.

With your support of the proposed language amendment we can send a welcoming message to the public visiting their state parks. Increasing outdoor recreation opportunities in California State Parks will encourage exercise, fuel the efforts of the Parks Forward Committee to make parks more

responsive to the needs of the communities, and continue to provide real-world success stories in California that demonstrate the quality of life Californians desire.

Thank you for your time and careful consideration to contact California State Parks and encourage them to adapt IMBA's proposed language to trail use in order to sustain the future of our community of mountain bikers and those who rely on the cycling industry as their source of employment.

Respectfully Submitted,

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