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To Whom It May Concern:

The Southern Nevada Mountain Bike Association (SNMBA), a chapter of IMBA(International Mountain Bike Association), is a non-profit organization based in Las Vegas with the mission to promote, improve and protect mountain biking in Southern Nevada. The organization is made of 11 board members and currently has about 120 paid member interests and 2500 Facebook followers. As southern Nevada's largest mountain bike advocacy group, we feel that it is important to clearly state our position to be considered for the Lee Canyon expansion proposal.

First, we are very excited and strongly supportive of mountain biking being included in the Lee Canyon expansion proposal. Mountain biking is one of the fastest growing outdoor sports in the country and has been documented as having significant impact on the happiness and life satisfaction of communities that provide mountain biking and trail access.

Secondly, we feel that this is a great start to providing increased terrain for mountain bikers in the Las Vegas area and alleviate some of the trailhead issues in Mt. Charleston. The proposal will also give the Las Vegas outdoor community an excellent outlet for recreation throughout the long, hot Las Vegas summer. The Lee Canyon expansion will allow safe access to the outdoors, away from dangerous summer temperatures, throughout the year.

SNMBA supports the lift accessed directional DH only trails of varying technical difficulty.

Finally, our items for consideration:

- *Directional XC perimeter loop

- *2 uphill trail options (can be part of directional XC loop)

- *Multi-user group trails limited to uphill trails

We are happy to meet with the Lee Canyon expansion team to further discuss these recommendations.

Additionally, please keep us posted as to the progress of this expansion. We offer our support in building these trails.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Hanks, SNMBA Treasurer on behalf of SNMBA Board