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Comments: I support the recommendations of CBMBA surround the Draft Environmental Assessment for the NVTP. In particular, across many of these trail systems increased use from off-road vehicles is increasing across the valley every year, making the roads feel nearly unusable by cyclists, not to mention unpleasant and dangerous. Thus, I am strongly in support of options to get bikes off the road. As a scientist doing research in the valley, trails that reduce the emergence of "wander paths" in sensitive areas is an additional benefit of several proposed options. Below are specific comments on individual trail proposals:

#1, Lake Irwin Road Parallel Trail: Option 2.

#2, Upper Upper to the Brush Creek Trailhead: Option 1. The originally proposed alignment will provide best solution for the largest number of users/stakeholders and would be of great benefit to the trailhead and the trail network in this crowded area.

#3, Strand Bonus to 409: Option 1. Increasing the connectivity would greatly improve the experience of this trail system.

#4, Budd Connection: Ambush to Tent City: Option 1

#5, Deer Creek to Tent City: Option 2 - The proposed enhancements to the lower section would both improve safety and crown what is an improve upon an important but disconnected set of trails.

#6, Teocalli Extension: Option 2 would be a much welcome improvement.

#7, Reno Divide Road Parallel Trail: Option 1 A parallel road would be an extremely useful addition the trail network at Cement Creek. This road is busy and dusty and often unpleasant to travel, in spite of the wonderful scenery.

#8, Cement Creek Trail - Upper Cement Creek Trail to Crystal, Option 1. This is a particularly important opportunity to complete the connectivity of the Cement Creek system and provide better access to the higher terrain.

Sincerely,  
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