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Comments: I fully support this project. The trail should afford locals the option to exercise out their backyard along the river, and learn about experience the river and its ecology at different seasons. There are hiking trails in the area, but many users who are not seasoned hikers, or experienced mountain bikers may find existing trails too challenging or off limits. A wide natural surface trail should permit beginning bikers - and e-bikers who might never otherwise consider biking - experience the joys of biking in the woods. The multi - use function of the trail will require trail design with good sight lines, and advance signage and even surface changes (if possible) to alert folks descending on bikes to slow down on turns so they can stay on their side of the trail. I am an avid biker (mountain and path) who has many times seen inexperienced or youthful riders going too fast to "stay in their lane" and hitting users on the opposite side of the path. I've also seen them pass slower users too fast or without giving insufficient signal (by voice or bell) of their intended action, which can frighten them and cause collisions. Not all risks can be avoided, but please provide (or allow bike groups to post) educational signs at each access point to the trail, with graphics and phrasing designed to appear to younger or beginning trail users to help attract them to the messaging.