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RE: Log Canyon Parking Area Project #67818

To Whom It May Concern,

As Director of the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area (MPNHA), I write in strong support of the proposed Log Canyon Parking Area near the mouth of Log Canyon northwest of Fountain Green, Utah.

This initiative directly advances the goals outlined in the MPNHA Management Plan, which emphasizes preserving historic landscapes, encouraging responsible outdoor recreation, and investing in infrastructure that strengthens rural economies and enhances heritage tourism. The Log Canyon area is part of the historic working landscape of central Utah, and improved public access is both needed and appropriate.

Designating a formal trailhead parking lot will:

- Provide safe, legal parking for outdoor recreationists;
- Eliminate hazardous roadside parking;
- Create a vital turnaround point for county maintenance;
- Minimize environmental impact from scattered vehicle use.

This project is a model of how local, state, and federal partners can work together to promote access while protecting cultural and natural resources. It will strengthen tourism, support small businesses, and provide long-term public benefit for residents and visitors alike.

We strongly encourage timely approval and offer the continued support of the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area in moving this important project forward.

Sincerely,

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