To Whom it May Concern,

This is a letter of support for the creation of a safe bike path in Sanpete County, from Fairview to Gunnison. This path would help connect our rural communities, bring families, friends and neighbors together and help encourage outdoor physical activity. In addition, this path would be a safe, green alternative to vehicle transportation in towns and around the county.

Rural areas have historically lacked access to non-motorized recreational opportunities. Currently, people who want to walk, jog or ride bicycles must do so in the streets and along the highway. A dedicated public path would help protect our community members from motor vehicles and provide a safe place for outdoor physical activity. It will also provide a connection between communities and provide economic benefits.

Access to quality public paths has been directly linked to an overall improvement in the physical and mental health of communities. A welcoming bike path for people of all ages and abilities to enjoy would be a wonderful addition to our rural county.

Thank you for considering.

Sincerely,

Dallas Cox

Manti Trail Builders, Indigo Bike Owner, Coach Manti MTB, Sanpete County Resident