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Subject: Letter of Support for the Sanpete County-Wide Bike Path

To Whom It May Concern:

I am happy to offer my strong support for the proposed two-way, family-friendly bike path extending from Fairview to Gunnison. This protected 47-mile route will not only create safer travel conditions for cyclists, who currently face real dangers along the highway, but also ensure more reliable access between our rural communities and essential resources—such as food pantries, grocery stores, health clinics, and schools.

I believe this project addresses an urgent need. For too long, residents without vehicles have struggled to reach vital services that are scattered throughout the county. By providing a dedicated and secure path, we will make it possible for more people to safely obtain what they need, and without undue hardship. This, in turn, will strengthen our sense of community, bring our rural towns closer together, and improve everyday life for families, workers, and visitors alike.

From an economic standpoint, the proposed bike path will surely have lasting benefits. The increased flow of cyclists and pedestrians will encourage local spending, support our small businesses, and help preserve the unique character of our region. In time, this connection between communities will serve as a valuable asset and improve our quality of life.

I look forward to seeing hundreds of people (on any given day) use the path to improve their lives and access resources. I envision my family and friends using the path regularly for family activities. Thank you for your consideration, and I appreciate any efforts to bring this much-needed project to fruition.

Sincerely,

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