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San Francisco Public Utilities Commission  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

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Re: May 11, 2021 Agenda Item #11: Ridge Trail Extension

On behalf of the Sierra Club in furtherance of our longstanding engagement with the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission regarding the Crystal Springs Watershed and particularly the Fifield Cahill and Southern Skyline portions of the Ridge Trail we wish to take this opportunity to reaffirm our support for the docent program on the Fifield Cahill Trail and our somewhat reserved support for the Southern Skyline extension.

Our primary reservation is the prospect of uncontrolled surface crossings of highway 92 due to the proximity of the two trailheads and the prospect of injury to pedestrians and cyclists. We do not think this should be a closed issue.

Additionally, this environmental assessment process was initiated before the surge of marketing and sales of electric powered cycles and therefore does not address the potential environmental impact of these vehicles especially the impact as to pedestrians. We recommend that the use of these powered vehicles be proscribed until a separate assessment can be made.

We appreciate the efforts of Commission staff and the San Francisco Planning Department to address the many issues posed by this project and we look forward to continued engagement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Ferreira". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue horizontal line.

Mike Ferreira  
Executive Committee Member  
Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter

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Executive Committee Member  
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