

I-330 Patricia Roosen

I -330-1 The commenter explains that they have reviewed the Draft EIR and being a resident of North County for 30 years, they are in support of the protection of open space that the Project proposes. The comment states that the Project would preserve 1,200 acres from future development and that this would be extremely important as it would conserve open space for families to enjoy. The commenter explains that as an avid bicyclist, the development of comprehensive trails set up between homes and parks would provide more outdoor areas for the local community to enjoy. The commenter requests that the County guarantee that the trails designs would be incorporated with enough space for hikers, bikers, and equestrians to share the outdoor space together.

The Specific Plan (Appendix C of the Draft EIR) provides standards and design guidelines for various elements of the Project. While design and engineering plans have not yet been prepared for the proposed trails, Section 3.7.10 Pathway and Trail Standards and Design Guidelines require that trails be designed to accommodate multiple users:

4. “Trail Design for Multiple Users: Trail design should accommodate a variety of users, including pedestrians, cyclists, and equestrians, per the County’s Community Trails Master Plan (County of San Diego 2005).”²³²

Therefore, trail design would be required to consider multiple users, including pedestrians, cyclists, and equestrians. For the remainder of the comment, the County acknowledges the comment and notes it expresses the opinions of the commenter, and does not raise an issue related to the adequacy of any specific section or analysis of the Draft EIR. The County will include the comment as part of the Final EIR for review and consideration by the decision-makers prior to a final decision on the project. No further response is required or necessary.

232 County of San Diego. 2005. Community Trails Master Plan. Adopted January 12, 2005. <http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/pds/community-trails-master-plan.html>.

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