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Bryson Stephens Red Mountain Cut Project bstephens@ebsco.com

Dear Bryson,

I'm writing to express BUMP's enthusiastic support for the Red Mountain Cut Project you described to us recently. As cyclists who live and work in the Birmingham area, the members of the BUMP board recognize how critical this piece of cycling and pedestrian infrastructure is to the community.

Birmingham is blessed with great weather and incredible natural beauty, but our region is divided by hills and highways that make traveling by bike intimidating for many and impractical for most. With the Vulcan Trail, Lakeshore Greenway, Rotary Trail, and Red Mountain Park all in close proximity, the Red Mountain Cut connection would help plug a much-needed gap in bike-accessible routes between downtown and the southern suburbs. We think riding a bike is the best possible way to see and experience the world, and the Red Mountain Cut Project would safely bring people to Birmingham's best city and most important landmarks on a bike.

BUMP's mission is to build, maintain, and preserve trails. We are huge believers in the powerful life-changing aspects of riding bikes in nature. Your project will dramatically improve the ability to see and experience Birmingham on two wheels. We wish you the best of luck and greatest success with this project.

Happy trails!

Sincerely yours,

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