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Subject: Fw: Bob & Crystal Rilee Park
Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 5:56:05 PM Pacific Standard Time
From: Registration <registration@cprdnewberg.org>
To: Kat Ricker <kriccker@cprdnewberg.org>

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From: Gail Bruner <callikinetics@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2026 5:53:53 PM
To: Registration <registration@cprdnewberg.org>
Subject: Re: Bob & Crystal Rilee Park

Hello,

Please pass along my email to the board members of the Crystal Rilee Park.

I love getting a chance to ride horses safely at the Crystal Rilee Park.
I do part time work and volunteer at a horse barn in Wilsonville, OR.
I have had the wonderful opportunity to ride and hike at Crystal Rilee Park on an older pony.
Please preserve the park for hikers and horse folks!

Sincerely,

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Subject: Free Parrett Mtn (Rilee park) include bikes

Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 5:40:15 PM Pacific Standard Time

From: Joel Dicks <jedelvis64@yahoo.com>

To: CPRD Board <board@cprdnewberg.org>

Priority: High

To CPRD board-

I am writing to strongly express support for the opening of Bob and Crystal Rilee park for permanent access on the east side for people to ride bicycles.

In addition, I want to express strong support to update the Rilee Master plan to include bicycle trails, as initially proposed.

My family and I live very close by and we are the epitome of multiple use trail users. We hike, walk dogs, trail run, have horses and have a family of enthusiastic (and champion!) mountain biking riding children. When the bike access was taken away in 2023, it was a big blow to our precious family recreational time budget.

When we moved here in 2020 we were thrilled to find Rilee park in our neighborhood. We moved here to enjoy the outdoors as a trail loving family.

Our family of 4 would regularly get out on the Rilee park trails on bikes, feet, hooves and paws and we loved the beauty and close access. Rilee park has all the desirable traits of a wonderful local multi-use PNW trail experience. It was truly a special and easy-access family event to not have to drive a long distance to get outdoors and ride bikes, hike with our dogs and enjoy all that the beautiful area has to offer. We were so grateful and enjoyed every minute we could there. It is a big draw to families like ours to have such multi-use trails and increases livability in areas for all socio-economic classes.

When bikes were banned in 2023, it affected our family deeply. It was an especially big blow to our children. One of my children is a competitive mountain biker who became a state champion and plans to ride nationally, in college and beyond. He has to drive long distances now to recreate and train on his mountain bike. This is less than ideal for school hours, work hours and particularly family together time. His friend group includes multiple bike riding kids and everyone loved getting together (and off of screens!) on the

trail at Rilee.

Currently we spend a tremendous amount of time, gas and car exhaust to get to any sort of viable mountain bike trails for recreation. This is not how we envisioned spending our time as an active family in Yamhill County Oregon. We would be so grateful for ourselves, and the many youth who love to ride bicycles to have adequate mountain bike trail access. There is demonstrably limited mountain bike trail access in our area, despite being a documented growing youth sport interest. Please help out with access; Rilee park can easily be a shared use recreation site, with separate places for horses and bikes to access. Many can enjoy the park in that way, not only a few.

Please open Bob and Crystal Rilee park to your constituents, especially for the youth, who participate in bicycle recreation.

Subject: CPRD Statement

Date: Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 5:03:10 PM Pacific Standard Time

From: Tyson Butler <butler.tyson@gmail.com>

To: CPRD Board <board@cprdnewberg.org>

CC: Kat Ricker <kicker@cprdnewberg.org>, Clay Downing <cdowning@cprdnewberg.org>

Priority: High

Hi CPRD,

I'm happy to submit this tonight as verbal testimony (if time allows) and at minimum, as written testimony.

I am going to speak now. As for my interest in this topic, I am neither a horserider or mountain bike rider, although I have enjoyed both. My family of five, including three young children reside within the CPRD and we visit to walk around mainly.

I am not a subject matter expert. I assume CPRD has those types of resources among their staff or networked with them. I'm happy to give weight to their recommendations and learn from them.

I humbly offer a way to think about this. Or how we should talk about the issue. I come from a faith tradition that, in it's highest form, invites me to love my neighbor as myself. I have to assume that many in this room share that conviction or something similar. I'm talking to them.

Zero-sum outcomes or winner-take-all scenarios does our community no favors. Circling up the wagons, affinity groups creating echo chambers, in-groups/out-groups – these are all counterproductive in building a healthy public discourse. Locally, we get to decide for ourselves how we show up. We do not have to go the way of division and discord we're all familiar with these days. I'm exhausted by it – perhaps you are too. Cooperation *can* become commonplace – and we can choose that path here.

I'm 40 years old. I'm asking myself where are the elders to provide the wisdom we need to address our most pressing issues? I'm not talking about what arguments you're bringing, what wisdom do you have to offer here? If we can't work through this one, a relatively simple one in my view, I have much greater fears about our ability to collectively create a future beautiful enough for my children.

If you need my viewpoint stated on the issue plainly it is this: If the crown jewel of CPRD acreage *can* be accessible for multiple users it *ought* to be accessible for multiple users.

Appreciate the work you all do -- thanks for your public service.

Best,
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