

To Trails and Open Space Committee,

Thank you for considering my application to join the Trails and Open Space committee. I have enjoyed the meetings that I have attended and I am keenly interested in helping to promote and develop the trail system into the future.

As a runner I use the Tahoe Donner trail system several times per week. I greatly appreciate the richness of the trails and how well they are built and maintained.

As the founder and leader of the newly formed Tahoe Donner Running Club, I want to share the trails with fellow runners in our community. On a weekly basis through the summer, I share a new route on our trail system. Many of the participants are experiencing certain trails for the first time which will shape their trail use habits on days we don't have our club run.

One thing I haven't done with the club is to educate about the trail system and how it came to be, or provide opportunities for the group to give back to the trail system. As runners, we too often take for granted that these trails just appeared where they are and stay nice and runnable for us magically. I would love to establish a culture of gratefulness for the trails and provide opportunities to help the future of the trail system in Tahoe Donner.

I hope to join the committee and that my contributions can help further develop the trails and open space that continues enjoyment for the community long into the future.

Thank you,

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