Trails & Open Space Committee Meeting Minutes

July 2, 2025 @ 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM Alder Creek Adventure Center

Committee Members

Karen Aaron	David Cahill	Carol Lindsay	Graham Reid
VJ Bonnard	Gayle Dana	Kevin O'Neil	Peter Sawyer
Richard Bothwell (late)	Eric Lawrence	Livia Quan	Julie Thornton

Staff, Staff Leads, and Liaisons

John Groom (Staff) Laura Lindgren (LRPC Liaison)	Denise Gauny (Board Liaison) Leslie Loveland (Staff)	Sally Jones (TDXC Manager)
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Guests

Bill Aaron	Rob McCray
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I. Opening Business (3pm)

- Peter Sawyer called the meeting to order at 3:04 with a quorum of eight.
- There were no member comments.
- Peter Sawyer (Trails and Open Space Committee Chair) did not submit a comment in writing.
- Laura Lindgren (LRPC Liaison) did not submit a comment in writing.
- Denise Gauny (Board Liaison did not submit a comment in writing.
- The June 4, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes and the June 25, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes were both approved by consensus.

II. Tour of Miscellaneous Trail and Forestry Projects

The meeting consisted of a tour in the Eurer Valley of current and future trails projects. The tour was lead by John Groom, Leslie Loveland, and Sally Jones. The committee looked at a number of in-progress and proposed trail projects.

- Lower Cinnamon Twist is being moved so that it proceeds straight across South Euer Valley Road rather than traveling west before it turns south again, down to the Euer Valley floor. It will be designated for hiking and biking. The previous Cinnamon Twist that was further west will now be the new Buckaroo trail for hiker and equestrian use.
 There have been safety concerns that the hiking and biking Cinnamon Twist trail was too close to the equestrian trail.
- Sally Jones shared that the work on the South Euer Valley Road will improve the trail experience for both winter and summer activities.

- There was discussion on the work on Coyote Crossing including a new bridge and boardwalk over the wetlands from South Valley Road to North Euer Valley Road at the west end of Tahoe Donner's property. Tahoe Donner will be footing the bill to improve the road and for the Prosser Creek stream restoration while outside agencies are paying for the bridge and boardwalk. The Coyote Crossing Hut will be moved so that it is level with the boardwalk. The boardwalk will have "turnouts" to enable trail users to pass each other safely. The winter grooming at Coyote Crossing will be to the east side of the boardwalk.
- III. Peter Sawyer adjourned the meeting by consensus at 5:04. Next meeting is August 6 at 3:00 pm