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February 14, 2017

Honorable Board of Supervisors Eric Rood Administrative Center 950 Maidu Avenue Nevada City, CA 95959

DATE OF MEETING: February 14, 2017

SUBJECT: Letter of Support for Pines to Mines Trail

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Attached Letter

<u>FUNDING</u>: Not applicable.

BACKGROUND:

Trails advocates on both the west and east sides of Nevada County have come up with the extraordinary idea of linking Nevada City and Truckee with an approximately 80-mile multiuse, non-motorized trail that will span the Sierra Nevada. This trail has the potential of becoming a notable, perhaps even nationally significant recreational amenity that will draw visitors to Nevada County while also benefitting local businesses and residents here who enjoy the outdoors.

Much of this "Pines to Mines" trail is already in place. About 14 miles between the Lola Montez Lakes and Eagle Lakes needs to be constructed to connect the eastern and western sections of our county. On the far west end of the trail, another segment would connect Nevada City with Harmony Ridge. Four Nevada County nonprofits, the Bear Yuba Land Trust, Bicyclists of Nevada County, Gold Country Trails Council, and the Truckee Trails Foundation, are partnering to implement this visionary project. Because they will need to raise significant amounts of money to see this project through to completion, we request that the Board approve the attached letter of support, which will help them in their efforts.

Richard Anderson Supervisor, District 5

Heidi Hall Supervisor, District 1