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Dear Barbara Rice,

The purpose of Mono County's Regional Planning Advisory Committees (RPAC) is to advise the Mono County Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and Planning Division on the development, review, implementation and update of the Mono County General Plan and associated Area / Community Plans including planning of sustainable recreation projects and programs occurring within Mono County. The Antelope Valley RPAC meets regularly to identify local planning issues and community needs - and to serve as a community forum and information clearing house on community planning issues.

The Antelope Valley RPAC therefore appreciates the support provided by the National Park Service to assist with community engagement and planning efforts centered around the Mountain Gate Park / "West Walker River Parkway" this past year. As part of that process, there were several additional needs identified within the community that were not clearly identified in the "Phase I" application for assistance submitted by Mammoth Lakes Recreation in 2019. The Antelope Valley RPAC supports Mono County's intent to apply for additional "Phase II" NPS assistance in planning these additional elements including the potential for recreation trails connecting the community to outlying parks and Public Lands, the development of formal wayfinding and staging area elements, and identification of funding for implementation and ongoing maintenance. The Antelope Valley RPAC trail proponents working group looks forward to working with both Mono County and NPS in further identifying and refining these elements and providing regular updates to the Antelope Valley Regional Planning Committee and its constituents.

Please consider Mono County's application for "Phase II" Planning in the Walker/Coleville area. Recreation planning and public access are important to the long term economic and ecologic sustainability of the region and the Antelope Valley RPAC looks forward to continuing and expanding these planning efforts with the National Park Service RTCA program in the year to come.

Respectfully,

Eric Edgerton
Antelope Valley RPAC Chair

CC: Mono County Board of Supervisors