

Public Comment - CRAHTAC

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Dear Clerk of the Board,

Please find attached our letter of support for Item 6, **Modoc Road Multi-use Path**, on the agenda for the November 1, 2022, Board of Supervisors meeting.

Sincerely,

Otis Calef, Chair
CRAHTAC



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COUNTY RIDING AND HIKING TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE



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Submitted via email

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RE: Modoc Multi-Use Path

Honorable Members of the Board:

As your Board is aware, the Santa Barbara County Riding and Hiking Trails Advisory Committee (CRAHTAC) is a standing committee appointed by your Board to advocate for recreational trails and advise the County on matters related to recreational trails issues. CRAHTAC is composed of three or four members from each supervisorial district and is recognized by the County as having a key role advising on trail matters. CRAHTAC is writing the Board to provide recommendations regarding the proposed Modoc Road multiple-use trail and draft Initial Study/ Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND). CRAHTAC would first like to make the following points and recommendations:

1. We strongly commend Director Sneddon and his staff for advancing this important project, particularly given their high workload and demands for staff time. We would like to recognize this as a major effort and accomplishment.
2. We recommend that your Board approve the draft IS/MND as adequately addressing project impacts, particularly as amended by Public Works.
3. We recommend that your Board support Alignment B as the best public trail if found to be feasible, but accept Alignment A if this is the only feasible option.
4. We recommend that the Board acknowledge that tree removal, while regrettable, is necessary for such an important project and that appropriate mitigation would be required.

Thank you for your consideration of our recommendations.

Sincerely,



Otis Calef, Chair
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