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To Whom It May Concern:

Eagle County enthusiastically supports Crown Mountain Recreational District's grant application for an all ages progressive Bike Park. Crown Mountain Park's vision aligns with Eagle County's Healthy Communities Coalition. The bike park will stimulate outdoor recreation for all ages in the Roaring Fork Valley and extend further to drawing a statewide appeal. This in turn will boost community health as a whole and help the local business economy, all through outdoor exercise.

It is important to the County that assets like this bike park, are accessible to the people who do not have the economic means, or the motivation to recreate outdoors. There are a few things that really draw our support to this project.

- 1) Crown Mtn Park will be creating a variety of free programming and free services that will aid in keeping our underserved populations physically and mentally healthy. Currently the Roaring Fork Valley lacks beginner and intermediate biking options to teach younger populations to ride bikes safely. This project will tackle affordability, accessibility and safety of our citizens.
- 2) This project has been in the works for over 2 years and it keeps getting better. The wide-ranging impact and balance of this project, driven through outdoor recreation is commendable. The Bike Park will serve a wide range of locals from Aspen to Rifle due to its great central location. The staff has done their homework, visiting and researching bike parks all over the state and they are confident this park will become one of the top bike parks in the state.
- 3) The park is prepared for this project with a budget to manage operations and maintenance. Crown Mountain Administration is already planning a new full-time position for significant programming and daily maintenance to keep this asset in top condition.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Board of County Commissioners

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Chair

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Commissioner