



July 26, 2021

Re: Restoration of the Holmes Run Trail

Mayor Wilson, Vice-Mayor Bennett-Parker, and members of the City Council,

As you know, the Holmes Run Trail is treasured by many residents in the City of Alexandria and Fairfax County. Trail users were devastated when heavy rain washed out portions of the trail in 2018. The Washington Area Bicyclist Association, The Capital Trails Coalition, and the Fairfax Alliance for Better Bicycling (FABB) are thrilled to see that the City has identified repairing Holmes Run Trail as a priority and has fully funded this project (during the pandemic, no less)!

We know that this is not a simple maintenance project and that extensive engineering is needed before any work can be done. We are in full support of restoring the trail as expeditiously as possible, and we ask that any potential cost increases that develop through the design and construction phases of the project be promptly funded.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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