



TO: Mountain Village Town Council

FROM: Jim Loebe, Transit & Recreation Director and Lizbeth Lemley, Finance Director

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RE: Discussion Regarding Funding of Mountain Village Floor Connector

Executive Summary: The Telluride Mountain Club’s latest trail proposal includes a 1.2-mile trail connecting the west end of Jurassic Trail with the Valley Floor. Known as the Mountain Village to Valley Floor Singletrack Connector, a variation of this concept was identified in the Town’s Trails Master Plan. The Mountain Club is currently raising funds for the NEPA phase of the project.

Overview

In light of the generous contributions TMVOA has agreed to provide to fund Town trail improvement projects, Council member Pearson has requested Council consider a \$150,000 contribution to the Mountain Club for the Mountain Village to Valley Floor Singletrack connector to come from the \$600,000 originally budgeted for trails improvement projects. A meaningful trail connection between Mountain Village and Telluride, other than Boomerang Road or the Telluride Trail, has long been contemplated in planning documents as well as included as a high priority project in the most recent Trails Master Plan. It has been identified as both a regional active transportation and recreational connector between the two towns.

TELLURIDE MOUNTAIN CLUB TRAILS PROPOSAL 2023

Mountain Village to Valley Floor Singletrack Connector

1.8 MILES OF NEW TRAIL · ALL ON U.S.F.S. LAND

