

## Legislation Text

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### Mountain Bike Policy - Notice of Motion from Director Tait

[The staff recommendation was amended at committee as follows:]

WHEREAS CRD Parks has significant land holdings suitable for forest-based recreation on the South Island, and that Harbourview has opened in recent years and includes mountain biking as a promoted and encouraged activity;

AND WHEREAS the Hartland mountain biking area has been proven to mitigate trail system challenges through appropriate management over the past 20 years;

AND WHEREAS investment into trail infrastructure comes at a much lower cost with more longevity when qualified volunteer members of the public are involved in specific aspects of park maintenance relating to their particular approach to utilizing trail systems;

AND WHEREAS a Mountain Bike Policy would provide the necessary framework to coordinate and focus volunteer activities and events, target challenges and develop formalized strategies to fairly and effectively defuse them, identify capital improvements and budget for the necessary funding to sustain and enhance the overall trail experience for constituents and visitors, while creating job opportunities for Parks staff;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the CRD Parks & Environment Committee recommend that the Board approve a budget and provide staffing and request that staff develop the Terms of Reference for an advisory committee whose goal is to develop a Mountain Biking Policy for CRD Parks, within a defined timeframe.

(NWA)

[The following item was previously decided upon at the Special CRD Board meeting of October 30, 2019:]

That \$40,000 be placed in the 2020 Financial Plan to support the creation of an advisory committee whose goal is to develop a Mountain Biking Policy for CRD Parks.