

Access4Bikes Votes - Candidate Questionnaire

Introduction and Understanding:

- How familiar are you with Access4Bikes' mission and initiatives to maintain and expand mountain bike trail access in Marin County?

Very Familiar

- What are your general thoughts on outdoor recreational activities like mountain biking? Do you support mountain biking as a way to promote community engagement and a healthy lifestyle?

Certainly

Support for Inclusive Access:

- Access4Bikes is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion, aiming to make trails accessible to all. How do you plan to ensure that your policies and decisions align with this commitment?

DEI is a county priority

- Are you open to supporting initiatives that promote inclusivity and diverse representation in outdoor recreational activities, including mountain biking

Certainly

Collaboration with Stakeholders:

- Access4Bikes emphasizes collaboration with different trail user groups to share the trails. How would you facilitate constructive dialogue and cooperation among various stakeholders to achieve this goal? As an elected official, would you work with us to bring trail user interests that are in conflict together to find ways to equitably share the trails amongst all users?

The county through County Parks have worked with all groups to make sure everyone is heard and part of the process finding solutions that work for all groups . A4B has been an important part of that process.

- Are you willing to actively participate in community events, such as trail work days and

group rides, to better understand the needs of mountain bikers and ensure their interest are considered?

As much as my old knees allow me.

Sustainability and Trail Maintenance:

- Maintaining and expanding mountain bike trail access is a key focus of our organization. How do you propose to allocate resources and work with volunteers to ensure the sustainability and proper upkeep of our public trail system?

The county Roads and Trails program is an example of this working well and I support continuing that program and process.

- What strategies do you have in mind to balance the preservation of natural habitats with the increased need and usage of trails for recreational purposes?

Balance off road systems to protect sensitive areas but not exclude uses.

Public Engagement and Education:

- Access4Bikes encourages responsible trail usage. How would you support educational initiatives that promote trail etiquette and safe riding practices to reduce conflicts and ensure public safety?

Share your message as examples of what you do.

- Do you have any ideas for innovative ways to engage the community in discussions about trail access, while also addressing concerns from various user groups?

Legislation and Advocacy:

- Are you willing to advocate for the development and revision of local ordinances that support responsible mountain biking while ensuring the protection of natural resources? ● How would you collaborate with Access4Bikes and similar organizations to lobby for state and federal funding to support trail development and maintenance?

Personal Connection to Mountain Biking:

- Do you have any personal experience with mountain biking or outdoor recreational activities that influence your perspective on trail access and conservation? ● How would your personal experience contribute to your ability to support and advance the goals of Access4Bikes?

Closing Remarks:

- Is there anything else you'd like to add regarding your commitment to promoting inclusive access to trails and supporting the mission of Access4Bikes?