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The Honorable Jerry Hill, President
The Honorable Mark Church
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San Mateo County Board of Supervisors
Hall of Justice and Records
400 County Center
Redwood City, CA 94063

Dear Members of the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors:

Recently, Santa Clara County and Stanford concluded an agreement requiring Stanford to pay for improvements to trails.

One of the trails covered by the agreement is the trail along Alpine Road in unincorporated San Mateo County and in Portola Valley. Stanford is offering to pay to improve that trail in both San Mateo County and Portola Valley in accordance with the provisions of the Santa Clara County-Stanford agreement.

Whether, when, and how the trail in San Mateo County is improved is, of course, the decision of San Mateo County. The conditions under which San Mateo County can receive the funds to improve the trail are specified in the agreement between Santa Clara County and Stanford entitled AGREEMENT FOR TRAIL EASEMENTS, CONSTRUCTION, MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE AND GRANTS OF EASEMENTS ("Agreement"), a copy of which is attached.

Without in any way intending to modify the terms of the Agreement, let me summarize the main provisions of the offer of funding to San Mateo County:

1. San Mateo County may receive up to \$8.4 million dollars from Stanford for improvements to the Alpine Road trail in San Mateo County that are completed by December 31, 2011.
2. To receive such funds, San Mateo County must enter into an agreement with Stanford that specifies the scope of work to be undertaken, commits to complete the work by December 31, 2011, identifies who will design, construct, manage, and maintain the trail, and sets forth the provisions for transfer of and accounting for funds.
3. Funds from Stanford can be used for construction of the trail improvements and for costs to comply with CEQA and implement mitigation measures. There are a number of mechanisms available to San Mateo County to receive payment:
 - A. a lump sum payment, or

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