

My name is Ben Wilde. I am a coach for the LaCrosse area MTB race team. My wife and I love our trail systems in the area and are trying diligently to foster the same with our children.

My son is on the race team and my daughter is a member of the quickly growing 906 Adventure Team.

We love to hike, and have used the "Birch" trail often; we think it would be a wonderful addition to use as a multi-use trail!

With the numbers of trail users we're seeing these days, it would be amazing to have access to that trail for a number of reasons. Safety, Convenience and Accessibility being the core benefits.

It's a nice "green" trail without much for consequences if there is a mistake made. It's close to the parking areas, and there are no road crossings.

The other trail that would be similar to use for the skill building is the "Compass Loop" which has 2 road crossings to contend with...

Please consider opening the Birch trail to all trail users, not just those on foot.

Warm regards,

Ben Wilde