

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT
OF THE VEGAS VALLEY RIM TRAIL**

WHEREAS, the creation of an interconnected system of open space and a trail encircling the Las Vegas Valley connecting local jurisdictions to each other and serving as the bridge between the Valley's urban core and the over 7 million acres of public lands is one of the most exciting and durable legacies we can build for our region; and

WHEREAS, the Vegas Valley Rim Trail would tie together the regional "Neon to Nature" trail system; and

WHEREAS, the branding and naming process that created the brand "Vegas Valley Rim Trail" revealed strong community support for the initiative; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the Vegas Valley Rim Trail can become a model public/private collaboration; and

WHEREAS, surveys within our Southern Nevada communities demonstrate that our residents consider trails and open space to be critically important "quality of life" components; and

WHEREAS, creating such an amenity enriches our community and would improve our outdoor quality of life and strengthening our economy through ecotourism; and

WHEREAS, the Vegas Valley Rim Trail would provide easy access to safe, enjoyable and inexpensive places for physical exercise for families at all income levels leading to improved health and wellness and; and

WHEREAS, the Vegas Valley Rim Trail would provide outstanding educational enrichment opportunities for our residents and visitors and creates spaces where families can strengthen their ties to each other; and


WHEREAS, by connecting residents and visitors to our special outdoor places, we create a constituency that cares about safeguarding and protecting these special resources; and

WHEREAS, the development of a Vegas Valley Rim Trail would benefit from the collaboration of the Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Forest Service, the Nevada Division of State Parks, Clark County, the Clark County Regional Flood Control District, the Southern Nevada Health District, the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition, the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, the City of Boulder City, the City of Henderson, the City of Las Vegas, and the City of North Las Vegas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition does hereby support a collaborative approach to the development of the Vegas Valley Rim Trail with those agencies listed above and with citizen organizations such as the Vegas Valley Rim Trail Coalition and the Outside Las Vegas Foundation.

Nothing in this resolution binds the SNRPC to any funding obligation. It is simply a pledge to work collaboratively and provide support wherever possible.

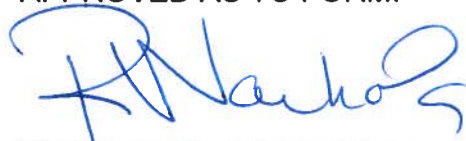
PASSED, ADOPTED and APPROVED this _____ day of January, 2012.



Chair
Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition

1/24/12
Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Rob Warhola
SNRPC Legal Counsel

1/24/12
Date