There has been some effort to block any rail conveyance within the 32 miles of the Santa Cruz County coastal rail corridor. Please consider that while Santa Cruz County offers much in the way of recreational activities, there is a large senior population and those who would be considered "physically challenged", with respect to cycling, surfing, hiking and other activities available to our coastal community and those who visit here.

The future of the rail conveyance within the current coastal corridor is essential to the mobility of those of us whose more athletic years are behind us. A rail, with trail will serve the greater population of our community. A rail conveyance will serve those who commute to and from the south county. A rail conveyance will be a tourist attraction, because of the links within the county and the beautiful coast scenery viewable from the railcar(s).

Please don't allow special interests (cyclists) to derail the rail restoration project currently in progress in Santa Cruz County. I've seen many changes happen to this area in the more than six decades I and my family has been here. My grandmother arrived here by rail in 1905. I am quite certain she would have utilized the rail conveyance within her lifetime, had it continued to be an option to her.

Thank you for your time,

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