

579 Falcon Place

San Jose, CA 95125

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To Whom It May Concern,

I support the “San José Parks Foundation for Willow Glen Trestle” grant application “to Research and Document the History of the Willow Glen Trestle.”

I believe it is important for the City of San Jose to remember its heritage and preserve some of the artifacts which existed prior to the time we became part of Silicon Valley. San Jose residents and neighbors, as well as visitors to the area, would appreciate seeing the Willow Glen Trestle as a part of San Jose as it existed in the early to mid-1900's. Researching and documenting the trestle would bring the past to life and help add to the trail experience.

I am a frequent user of the Los Gatos Creek Trail, along with many other citizens and visitors. As the trail system in San Jose becomes more developed and integrated into the area's network of trails, more people will be exposed to our trails. I have no doubt that visitors would be very interested in a trestle from many years ago over which heavy trains traveled. Documentation of the role that the trestle played in San Jose's earlier history would enhance the experience of seeing this structure.

San Jose needs to remember its humanity, prior to our entry into the computer age.

Sincerely, Nancy Kops