From: Rod Diridon <rjdiridon@gmail.com> To: Lames <lames@aol.com> Sent: Thu, Aug 8, 2019 5:04 pm Subject: Re: WG Trestle: a little help, please

To Whom It May Concern,

As Santa Clara Valley development has exploded to meet the need of a rapidly expanding high tech industry many historic treasures have been lost. In some cases the lose occurred because the historic facility was allowed to decay until it was unsalvageable. In others, the historic information had not been properly accumulated and presented to land use authorities.

That can not be allowed to occur in the case of the historic Willow Glen Trestle, one of the last of the original rail bridges left standing. That lifeline for our Valley's remarkable agricultural success has been in many photos and also protects a remarkably diverse and fragile riparian habituate all of which merits permanent protection. The structure can become a major element of the future rails-to-trials section of the Three Creek Trail and allow our future generations to remember our long debt to the original rail system.

Please accept this letter of support for funding to accomplish the engineering analysts and restoration work on the trestle. We must save the best of our past if we want to create a better future.

Sincerely,

Rod

Rod Diridon, Sr. Former Chair, Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors