

First Name	Last Name	Address1	City	State	Zip	Please submit your comments about the proposed trail along Corner Canyon Creek and the East Jordan Canal Trails.
Bryan	Osborn	13323 S Sunset Stream Wy	Draper	UT	84020	Thank you for the meeting this evening and the opportunity for us to voice our concerns over the proposed running trail that sits adjacent to the East Jordan Canal. I love the trail system in Draper, I run and bike the trails as often as I can so I understand why this is an important part of the master plan for the parks and trails members. The big difference with the East Jordan Canal section is that it is extremely dangerous and poses significant risks for both drowning and death. Risks like these are reasonable and acceptable in cases of building roads, sidewalks and public utilities however they are simply not reasonable for a recreational public trail. Paving and opening up this trail to the public with direct access to this dangerous canal is simply not safe. Safety needs to remain the #1 concern of the city councilmembers and parks and trails committee and not the fact that they have already received federal funding for this trail and either need to use it or lose it. This canal reaches depths of 4-5ft right behind my home with steep banks, fast currents and mud walls; this is no stream or creek with gradual banks and rock bottoms. The likelihood of a toddler surviving an accidental fall into this canal is very low and there have currently been zero deaths along this section of the canal, so why would we increase this risk by providing a direct conduit to this danger? I speak for many members of the Bellevue community who are opposed to this portion of the trail, it is simply too dangerous. Our recommendation is to either reroute this section of the trail or save up enough funds to bury the canal and eliminate this risk, one accidental death would be far too many.
Josh	Young	13363 Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	I would like to express some concerns about the proposed trail and the approach that is being taken. The open and fast moving water of the canal poses a significant threat to all that use the trail. A survey conducted by the Utah Child Fatality Review Committee and in conjunction with the Utah Department of Health found that 10.5% of drowning deaths occurred in open water. They sited that children in particular are drawn to water and will find ways to get to the water. Additionally, 50% of drowning deaths from children who were not supervised, wandered out of the home, or the other category of death occurred in creeks, canals, rivers, open water, and lakes. These statistics cannot be ignored. Members of the trail committee have suggested that a rail might be considered to improve the safety. A rail or fence is not enough to prevent people from going in to the water. The rail will be jumped and the fence will be cut for access to the canal. I currently have a barbed wire fence next to the canal. Kids from Fort Street have placed a log over the canal, pushed the fence over and are coming in to my backyard to access Bellevue Park. The suggested safety precautions are not significant enough to deter curious kids. There are many articles of communities that are close to Draper who have dealt with this same challenge. The neighboring community in Provo, which had a 23-mile long canal, had the same concerns and fears. Ultimately after much work they were successful in getting grants and support to bury the canal and place the trail over the top. Aside from the safety benefits this also benefits the water company as the canals lose as much as 8% of their flow due to the canal banks and walls. If the canal was piped this reduces or almost eliminates any leakage and completely eliminates the safety concern. If grant approval and funds available are the reason for the push to move forward I urge you to consider working through the grant process for additional funds and approval or find another location for the trail. Another important and significant issue is the fact that part of the trail will be on land not owned by the city. There is an easement but this leaves a significant liability on the homeowners. There have been statues and laws cited suggesting we are protected. These are merely a rouse to help the people pushing the project feel good they checked the liability box. Members of the committee admitted last night at the public open house that they realize if someone got hurt on the trail it is likely we as home owners will be sued. It is unjust to be liable to pay taxes on a property with a risk that we cannot manage and likely sued if a child drowns. One might argue, if you have a pool you are taking on this same risk. The homeowner with a pool is accepting the risk but it is within the owners control to limit who uses the pool plus proper insurance can be secured for additional protection. I appreciate the opportunity to comment and would urge the group to rethink the proposal as it stands today to either working to obtain the funds to bury the canal or reroute the trail.
Angela	Neidig	13287 Sunset Stream Way	Draper		84020	First of all I want to thank you for all that you do to make Draper such a wonderful place to live. I am excited for the new trial; however, I am worried about the East Jordan canal section because it will be extremely dangerous for children. Last year my 5 year old daughter almost drowned at a pool in St George. She took her armbands off to eat lunch. When her ball fell in the water she jumped in to get it not remembering her armbands were off. She had only been under the water a matter of seconds, but luckily with pools we could easily spot her. With a canal you do not have that luxury. If a child falls in or climbs down to swim or grab something they are not in plain sight. The sides are so steep and muddy I know that there is no way my children could climb out without assistance. The surrounding neighborhood has so many children that love to scooter and ride there bikes everywhere. I can see children being curious and wanting to climb into it because that is exactly what my kids wanted to do when we moved in. I couldn't allow them to play in the backyard unless I was right by there side. I couldn't relax until the fence went up because it's far to dangerous for curious little minds. Being a mother of three little children I know how much they love dirt and water and wherever there's water that's where they want to be. I feel very strongly that the trail needs to be moved further away from the canal to prevent potential drowning. Everyday I feared for my children's safety with that canal right in our back yard until our fence was put in. With the trail being built and no fence or barrier there for protection I am seriously concerned for all the children's safety. If the trail can be moved through a safer route let's please do that. Thank you for your time.
Jessica	Ballard	13229 S. Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	I wish to express my concern about the proposed trail running right next to the East Jordan Canal. Draper has many miles of beautiful trails which benefit Draper residents as well as residents from surrounding areas. The proposed route is the only one I know of in Draper that would be adjacent to a canal with no fencing between it and the trail. This is no shallow or slow moving stream. The canal reaches depths of 4-5 feet of murky, swift moving water. The banks are steep and muddy. I doubt an adult would have an easy time climbing out let alone a child. Every year I hear on the news about a drowning victim along the Jordan River Parkway. Why put the public at so much risk on a recreational trail? Even one death is too many! Please reroute the trail through the subdivision instead. This would free up part of the money funded to other aspects of the trail, but most importantly, keep the public safe. Thank you.
Janalyn	Osborn	13323 S Sunset Stream Wy	Draper	UT	84020	I simply cannot believe that Draper City would really consider placing a PUBLIC trail this close to the canal? There is a reason that all other portions of this canal are fenced off from the public....because it is dangerous! As residents and tax payers of Draper City we demand and independent safety analysis before you move forward with this project. Bellevue now has over 300 more children than it did even 3 years ago, WHY would we invite this hazard and danger into our community? Either bury the canal, put a boardwalk over it or choose another route that does NOT run next to this dangerous canal. Thank you.

Christie	Anderson	73 e Bridle Villa Dr	Draper	Utah	84029	This trail is dangerous for children and the canal is unsafe. It should be placed somewhere else.
Michael	Vreeland	13211 S Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	<p>I am AGAINST this trail for several reasons.</p> <p>1. Safety is my number one concern. The East Jordan Canal section is fast flowing, deep, and would be very difficult to climb out, once fallen in. Deaths from children WILL occur. This proposed trail would be going through a residential area where the vast majority of the neighborhood are unaware of the dangers. The population at highest risk, are little children and toddlers. This canal would be a very real HAZARD to them. Parents are often unaware of this HAZARD, because they assume that their neighborhood is safe, so they let there guard down. In contrast, parents are much more diligent on keeping their children safe from fast flowing sections of water, when they have to actively go to a trail, i.e. to the mountains, parks, recreational areas, etc.</p> <p>My neighbors and I have proposed an alternate trail route to the Parks and Trail Committee, that would avoid this dangerous section of canal. The proposed trail would avoid this water hazard. The route is already widely paved, in public lands, and directly connects to Bellevue Park. There are no houses or driveways along this trail either. It is simply a beautiful and straightforward solution, to a very dangerous problem. Don't think I'm exaggerating this danger either, please read this article from the East Valley Tribune newspaper from Arizona. http://www.eastvalleytribune.com/local/article_4cc36814-8e6b-11e1-9eed-001a4bcf887a.html</p> <p>Additionally, we've knocked on doors and spoke to much of the neighborhood, and the vast majority of the draper residents are AGAINST the proposed trail or were UNAWARE of this proposed trail. However, everyone of them loved the idea of having the trail directly connected to Bellevue Park. It will provide MORE access to the local draper residents. Those using the trail will also have access to public restrooms, water, pavilions and sitting areas.</p> <p>2. I'm also against this trail, because this trail will be going through my privately owned section. It was never bought from me, nor was there ever an offer. If the proposed trail goes into place, I will remain as owner of this section of trail. I'm concerned about liability to me and my family. I am quite disturbed that Jeff Steinquist and The Parks and Trail Committee are okay to "take" private lands for a trail. If a trail is going to go in place, SIMPLY USE PUBLIC LANDS.</p> <p>3. Draper City Residents DO NOT WANT THIS TRAIL. I've heard from the Parks and Trail Committee that Draper City wants this trail. That was not my experience. In general, Draper City is either, UNAWARE or AGAINST this trail. Additionally, the vast majority of the residents, that actively use the trail system, feel that the existing 88 miles of trails are becoming neglected. They would much prefer that the Parks and Trail Committee start maintaining the existing trail system, to bring back it's original beauty. However, maintenance would be minimized if the trail was moved to our proposed trail location. Bringing to my next point.</p> <p>4. Maintenance. Simply put, the existing trails are becoming ugly. Garbage, vandalism, broken fences, spray paint are becoming the norm with the Draper City Trail System. I don't have any reassurance that the East Jordan Trail system will be well maintained. Even if federal money is available for this trail, if there are not funds or a system in place for maintenance, then YOU SHOULD NOT PUT IN PLACE WHAT YOU CANNOT MAINTAIN. However, if the trail is moved, to where we have proposed, there IS already a system in place for maintenance (street sweepers, gardeners, etc).</p> <p>In summary, if you cannot move this trail to where we have proposed, then you should simply abandon the project. I've outlined my reasons above. Please take them into careful consideration.</p>
Mark	Ballard	13229 S Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	<p>I attended the open house and after reviewing the information I strongly oppose the location and the lack of regard for safety in the planning.</p> <p>-At the open house the photos of other trails were deceptive showing shallow slow moving streams not a deep quick current canal.</p> <p>-As I questioned the safety of the trail to the city engineer his canned response what that the land owners would not be held liable. That will be no comfort when a child is injured or worse, the lack of empathy for the land owners and the disregard for safety was shocking.</p> <p>-Why would be invite children to play near a deep fast moving dirt canal where no fence can be built? Especially when there is a side walk that runs parallel less than 60 feet away and proposed alternatives by communities that will mitigate the danger of the canal.</p> <p>-Building the trail will result in trees that are 70+ years to be destroyed</p> <p>-I have yet to see a safety study completed or had a member of the city council or trail committee take the community up on invitations to visit the canal banks to review the safety for themselves and look at the proposed alternatives.</p> <p>I urge you to review complete a review of the safety of the canal and review other options that have been proposed. The current design is opposed by residents and also by the Mayor as he indicated to me through an email. I ask that you please review all options and take into account safety and the large number of children that will be lured to the canal if this is build as currently</p>
Bryan	Osborn	13323 S Sunset Stream Wy	Draper	UT	84020	<p>https://www.google.com/amp/gephardttdaily.com/local/utah-teens-dies-when-wheelchair-rolls-into-south-jordan-canal/amp/</p>
Jessica	Smith	13348 S Lake Forest Drive	Draper	Utah	84020	<p>Unfortunate death on one of your examples of safe canals. How do you plan to keep residents with disabilities safe on this public trail?</p> <p>This is a bad idea. This trail doesn't really connect to any of the other trail. It is going to be dangerous for our kids since you won't put in a fence and it can bring unwanted guests into the neighborhood. The trail behind bridal point has been closed because it couldn't be maintained. It really doesn't seem logically to spend the money for this trail when there wasn't even money to take care of the last one. Don't do it!!</p>

Chad	Smith	762 E Kamber Cv	Draper	UT	84020	Due to the water level of the canal and number of small children in this neighborhood, I think the alternative route past Bellevue park is the safer and more reasonable decision.
Kendall	Heaps	642 Beachwood Dr	Draper	Utah	84020	I understand how nice our Draper trails are; the convenience they are and how nice it is to be able to move around on bikes or foot but to put one right next to the canal, only a few feet away w/o a fence is irresponsible. If it was farther away it would be fine, but it's literally a few feet away. This is not like the river bottom trails where the trail and the river are farther apart. Children are going to be at risk because of their curious natures. If a young child falls into that canal w/o an adult present, that young life will be taken; swept away. Either put a fence between the canal and trail or re-route the trail somewhere else.
Rachel	West	13269 S Cherry Crest Dr	DRAPER	UT	84020	As a resident of Draper and a neighbor of the proposed trail site, I have some concerns regarding the safety of such a proposal. The Bellevue neighborhood which runs along the proposed canal trail site is home to many children. Any proposal which does not include fencing between the canal and the trail is beyond irresponsible. The canal is currently a danger to citizens but access is limited in most places by the back fences of adjacent homes. Opening access to the canal without the necessary precaution of covering or completely fencing off the accessible parts of the canal would be extremely negligent. I support the efforts of Draper city to make the city easier to travel by bike or on foot. Draper desperately needs more sidewalks not more trails. In order to address the air quality issues in our community, creating safe paths for families to travel to schools, stores, and restaurants should be top priority. I do not support spending community funds on recreation paths that are unsafe to travel with children. This is a family community and we need family SAFE solutions. I fully support this proposed trail system. It's a very safe way for me and my family to connect to the larger trail system here in Draper without having to walk along the busy roads.
Brandon	Bodell	13422 Corner Bridge Ln.	Draper	UT	84020	Please don't be swayed by the folks who have built new homes that back the canal in Bellevue. I was also interested in buying one of those lots several years ago when they were for sale. The Ivory Homes sales agents all did a great job informing me of the easement across the back of each lot before purchasing a home with them. I knew it was a real option that a trail would go in because that's exactly how the Ivory agents informed the potential buyers. I don't feel it's fair now that those folks have moved in and are currently waging a huge online protest when they were clearly informed from the beginning that this was at some point going to be developed as it was intended to be. Draper has one of the greatest trail systems in the entire State. Connecting the folks in my area to this trail system will do nothing but increase the value of all our homes. Please, don't be swayed by the few that back the trail system to not put something in that will serve our community for years and years to come. Thank you.
Sasha	Johnson	621 Hourglass Cir	Draper	UT	84020	YES! YES! YES! Our family loves to walk, jog and ride bikes on the trails in Draper. How wonderful to connect our neighborhood with the existing trails and future trails! I realize some neighbors are concerned about an open canal, but we have trails next to other open canals already here in Draper. Rather than a risk, I see them as a benefit to our neighborhoods. The risk to our children lies in limited exposure to green space, Nature Deficit Disorder and expanding waist lines. Google "The Blue Zone Project," or read "Last Child in the Woods" by Richard Louv. Our communities need more trails!
Scott	Johnson	621 East Hourglass Circle	Draper	UT	84020	Sounds great!
Chad	Goeckeritz	553 Corner Canyon Drive	Draper	Utah	84020	I am in full support of the new trail system and my wife and I have been trying to get the trails behind our house fixed and maintained for years and we are excited to finally see these trails reach their full potential and use!
Will	Street	582 Corner Canyon Drive	Draper	UT	84020	We have 4 young children and live in the immediate vicinity of the proposed trails. We would love them! We would use them regularly!
Mary	Squire	13731 Farm Hollow Lane	Draper	UT		I am so excited to hear about the proposed improvement of the trails! I live just south of Stokes Avenue, and my family enjoys running, walking, and biking on all of the trails in Draper, but we especially love the ones near our home. The connecting of the trails will bring more cohesiveness to the trail system and will make my family's enjoyment of the trails a safer experience. Thank you! We love living in Draper!
Robin	Bodell	13422 S Corner Bridge Lane	Draper	UT	84020	As a resident of Draper for the last 12 years I am very invested in improving and adding trails into our city. As a mother of four ages 15, 12, 10 and 7 I would be very happy knowing my kids had a trail to ride bikes, and walk on as opposed to the side of the road. As a runner, I love the trails of Draper. My family and neighbors would love this! This is nothing but a positive addition to Draper!
Mike	Henrie	746 Sunset Stream Way	Draper	Utah	84020	As a citizen of Draper and a father of two children, one of them a very curious 6 year old, I am concerned with the proposed corner canyon creek running trail. I am raising my voice against this trail in the grounds for the safety of our children. I live in the area and my home is adjacent to a short pathway that will lead to the canal. In its current form the proposed trail is dangerous. Ample experience has shown that canals are dangerous. They are not the same as creeks or rivers and pose risks that I think are unacceptable. The steep banks and deep canal with a muddy bottom will make it very difficult for small children to exit in the event that they fall into the canal. Creating a trail system directly adjacent to the canal present an opportunity for our children to easily access the canal. Additionally I have concern with some of the larger trees in the area that such a trail system would necessitate in removing. These trees are 50 to 100 years old and provide many benefits. It would be a shame and irresponsible to remove them. I believe that the city can come up with a better plan than the one that is currently proposed. An alternative may be to bury the canal and run the trail over the top. The canal itself does not really possess any aesthetic benefit. It only presents potential and unnecessary risk. Thank you for your time.
Kirk	Nord	683 E Beaumont Way	Draper	UT	84020	I wanted to write the city and express my concern over the proposed route along the East Jordan Canal that abuts the homes along Bellevue. I live in this neighborhood and am aware of the issues that those home owners have concerning that portion of the proposed trail. My understanding is that there have been at least two other, cheaper proposed routes offered by those residents, which would save the Utah taxpayers money, provide better access to existing city resources, and avoid the dangers associated with running or recreating next to a potentially hazardous water resource. If the city is going to place aesthetics of having a trail next to a water source without the ability to erect or build any kind of barrier between the water and the trail to protect people from falling in, above the general safety and welfare of its citizens, I think that is a misuse of community stewardship. It only takes one drowning after the fact to realize that mistakes could have been avoided. I would prefer either an alternate route that has been proposed by the citizens of Bellevue OR the city needs to make the commitment to bury the canal along the proposed route on that section of the trail.
Spencer	Devine	12458s 520e	Draper	UT	84020	My Brother in law & sister bought their dream home in Draper not too long ago and this particular path just cuts right across the end of their backyard. This just really will affect the level of privacy they feel and along with not feeling great about having the kids go and play in the yard

charlene	barber	12463 austin point lane	draper	UT	84020	Hello, I am contacting you to let you know that my family and I are absolutely AGAINST this portion of the trail. Thank you.
Eric	Smith	13432 S Dairy Lane	Draper	Utah	84020	I live in the Lone Peak subdivision, just east of the dog park. I am very much in favor of the proposed trail. This will make it easier for our children to walk or ride bikes through the neighborhood, away from the potential danger of cars. This will also provide a convenient way for us to connect with the greater trail system already in place in Draper--meaning, we can more thoroughly enjoy the beautiful outdoors. This will further strengthen Draper's reputation as connecting residents to many opportunities to re-create and enjoy time outdoors.
William	Springer	13292 Wilburton Dr.	Draper	Utah	84020	Have heard of the safety concerns regarding the trail and would like to know what is being done to address these concerns.
Kathy	Bitner	13205 Newport Dawn Drive	Draper	ut	84020	Please improve our trails. I love the connections in our neighborhoods without having to go on busy streets without sidewalks.
Chelsa	Adamson	13202 S. Sunset Glen Way	Draper	Utah	84020	I think this trail is a terrible idea! The canal should be buried or fenced off. I promise a child will drown sooner or later and Draper City will be responsible.
Michael	Jensen	13358 S Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	As a neighbor, I am against the proposed trail along Corner Canyon Creek and the East Jordan Can Trails. I viewed the site from a neighbor's backyard last night, and frankly I'm a bit surprised this is even under consideration. Just among my surrounding 10 or so neighbors at the south end of Sunset Stream Way, there are roughly 25 kids under the age of 10. There are literally hundreds of kids within close proximity, and as of right now I would argue many of whom aren't currently aware a canal even exists. On the contrary, if the proposal goes through, all of them will quickly become familiar with the allure of a new bike trail, and a "river" they have not previously known. The embankment is steep and the current is swift--a grown adult would have a difficult time emerging from an accidental fall, while a child would have no hope.
						As listed in the Draper City materials, this proposal does not improve the safety of the community, but significantly decreases the safety of our children and unnecessarily endangers our community. Aside from the inferred risk of accidental drownings, increased foot traffic breeds increased crime and all that is associated with it.
						This is not a good idea. It will take one drowning, or a string of criminal activity to fully validate the preemptive concern spreading among our community. As a neighborhood, we are not willing to take that risk. As our community representatives, we hope you aren't willing to risk the safety and shared concern of those for whom you represent and serve. Thank.s
David	Atkisson	386 E Cherry Crest Dr	Draper	ut	84020	I would like the Corner Canyon Creek Trail paved. Please keep the trail on the south side if the creek.
James	Balderson	13414 south Fort Street	Draper	Utah	84020	This trail is a concern for me as I like to ride the trails with my kids that occasionally go off the path. Other trails in Draper seem to have a lot of space between them and the water. This trail as proposed is basically a steep drop from the trail the water. I think this is a serious safety concern and should be further evaluated or re-routed. Thank you
Bianca	Martin	8022 S. Showcase Lane	Sandy	UT	84094	As a person who is currently looking to purchase a home in the city of Draper, I am so excited to hear about the city's desire to create an atmosphere for people to get outside and enjoy nature. However, putting a walking/running/paved trail next to a canal is not a wise idea! I'm very confused at how this topic of conversation could even come up. Up to this point in the 2017 Spring season our state has already experienced many deaths, from young children to grown adults, because of canals/rivers. We have wonderful snow during our winter season that creates very dangerous run off during spring. Yes, people should be careful and vigilant around water.. but you cannot count on my son and his friends riding their bikes (or walking or running) on a paved trail to not be boys and play and have fun and a potential "joke" of a push toward the canal. What is considered a fun, playful experience outdoors to my son and his friends (despite my constant dialogue of the dangers of spring run off) could result in death. I have seen many recommendations from current Draper residents as to where new trails could be placed. Please DO NOT place any form of a trail next to this canal! As a servant of the people, please think of the people and their safety. Especially the children and teens who need extra guidance, and may get lost in the fun moments of being young without a thought for a potential fatal accident. I trust that you currently serve the people and want what's best for them, hence the idea to provide greater outdoor experiences for them in the great city of Draper, but it does not serve the people well to build this trail.
Ashley	Gutierrez	13294 south Lakemont Dr.	Draper's	Utah	84020	Please use alternate routes! We have A lot of little kids running around and would hate for something bad to happen. We are very concerned! Ashley Gutierrez
Kim	McKee	732 east sunset stream way	Draper	Utah	84020	My house currently backs up to the proposed trail plans. I can't think of anything more concerning that my children drowning and don't want to have to worry about an unnecessary risk being in my backyard. Please consider moving this trail elsewhere.
Chris	Neidig	7168 South 2740 East	Salt Lake	UT	84121	I have my son and daughter-in-law that live right next to this canal with their three children and their backyard butts up right next to the canal. I am so grateful they have a big fence that blocks their kids from the canal. When I heard about this proposed trail right next to the canal without a fence to protect the children, I was totally appalled. I can't even imagine if I were to get a phone call that one of my grandkids had fallen in the canal and had not been saved. I would like any of you, who are making this decision to go ahead with this canal, take a minute and think if you were to get a phone call that your child or grandchild fell in this canal because he/she went exploring and fell in. Each of you need to put yourselves personally in this situation and imagine if this canal was in your backyard and children had the easy access to the trail. Can you imagine the horror if you lost your child or grandchild because of the lack of protection of a fence to protect them. I hope you will make the correct decision of protecting our dear young children from this potential horrible hazard.

Cameron	Kasteler	453 Midlake Dr.	Draper	UT	84020	In regards to the proposed improvements adjacent to the East Jordan Canal Trail, I would like to express my concerns for the plans as currently proposed. As a neighborhood resident, parent of three children, and concerned citizen of Draper, I have to express how dismayed I am at the short-sighted nature of the current plans. The decision to pave a trail directly next to the canal and not covering or adding any other safety improvements can be for no other reason than the short term financial costs. Any rational and concerned neighbor, citizen, elected official, trail user, etc. can see this would only be prolonging the eventuality of covering the canal. It would take only ONE accident for the public outcry to demand the canal be covered. The plans as currently drafted are nothing more than the path of least resistance. Let's do this right the first time, let's not come back for a do-over. It is the wrong decision to throw down a trail next to the canal. It will be heavily used and enjoyed by adults, teenagers, young children and kids taking it as a shortcut to and from friend's houses to stay off busier roads...just like the many other trails in Draper. It makes no sense to provide a well-intended recreation alternative only to create a hazard requiring a future secondary improvement. It is worth doing right the first time. Please bury the canal - it is the right thing to do. Thank you.
Angela	Wroten	14047 South Osborne Lane	draper	UT	84020	One of the things that most attracted me to Draper was the fabulous trail systems. I'd love to have more trails. However I do understand the worries and concerns with the canal right next to part of this new trail. I would ask you to please listen to those parents who have concerns. I've always loved having the freedom to allow my children to ride the trails on their own because they are safe and away from traffic. Safety always must be the first priority.
Josh	Pettit	688 E Draper Heights Way	DRAPER	UT	84020	I Love the Draper trail system and I believe this a great use of an existing feature in our community. Please continue efforts to expand and maintain our trails.
Lisa	Wilson	13305 sunset stream way	Draper	Utah	84020	We are concerned about the safely of a running trail being proposed along the canal that runs between the homes on fort and 7th east. Its not hard to find canal drownings by a simple google search. The proposed trail will run right along the canal with no barrier or fencing. We are so fortunate to live in a community that cares about one another and we are hoping that our local government cares and is listening. One canal drowning is too many. Please keep our children safe by considering another route for the trail. Thank you
Chantel	Wall	13212 s sunset stream way	Draper	Ut		<p>I am a resident in Bellevue on sunset stream way. The canal is across the street from my house behind my neighbors.</p> <p>I have a very large concern about the trail being proposed along the canal, particularly with small children around. This neighborhood has hundreds of children and I see a large danger in putting a trail along the canal with NO walkway. The canal water flows quickly, and with its steep, muddy banks and flow rate, there is very small to no chance a toddler or older child is making it out. It would take one fatal accident for the city to see what a danger this is. Let's please not put such a risk in our neighborhood and city.</p> <p>Not only am I highly concerned about the access children would have, but also bringing more crime to this area. We already suffer a high crime rate and adding a trail through neighbors backyards is just welcoming more. I strongly urge you to NOT put this trail along the canal. Thanks.</p>
Gina	Smith	13432 S Dairy Lane	Draper	UT	84020	I am in full support of the trail system being expanded. What a great way to bring neighbors together and expand the use of our current trails by joining them to the new proposed trail.
Amy Brooke	Nelson Carn	13241 S Cascade Glen Dr 594 east Beaumont way	Draper Draper	UT Utah	84020 84020	<p>I am for the trail. The only problems I have found is running into a random homeless person at 5 A.M in the morning. They should be patrolled on foot ocasionally</p> <p>I have lived in the Bellevue subdivision for 9 year and have heard about the proposed walking trails that entire time. I am so excited to think they might be done soon. I feel they will add to the community feel of the neighborhood and Draper. While I am not unconcerned about safety, I don't believe there is a major new concern with these areas. As we all know, spring time is a time where we need be concerned of increased water ways regardless of where they are or if there is fencing. As I mentioned to Geoff, I am eager to hear about the plan for the existing walkways that were created to access the Corner Canyon Creek. We would love to have these sidewalks connect to the trail or to the other access points across the creek.</p>
David	Carn	594 east Beaumont way	Draper	Utah	84020	I am very much in favor of the finished trails along Corner Canyon Creek and the East Jordan Canal. We have been waiting for this to be completed since we moved into our house 9 years ago. The plan was very clearly explained by our Ivory Sales Representatives. The easement on some Bellevue properties has always been in place and the planned use has always been known.
Beau	Adamson	13202 sunset Glen way	Draper	UT	84020	I am writing as a concerned resident of Draper. I live near the proposed paved trail and moved here because of all the kids. It's always been a very safe neighborhood with kids running around without any worry. The proposed trail exposes children to the dangers of the canal, the steep walls of the canal would be impossible for a child to climb out of if they were to fall in. Please find another solution to protect our children.
ANDREW	OLIVERSON	13370 S FORT STREET	DRAPER	UTAH	84020	<p>when the trail is complete and no fence is install. I've been in the canal several times (mostly not be choice) and it's difficult for me to pull myself out without considerable effort. Children will find it impossible to scale the slippery, mud banks.</p> <p>I moved my family to Draper as I appreciated the "small town feel". Additional development, including the trail, only brings us closer to other overbuilt communities in the valley. On the other hand, leaving the area "wild", with all matures trees intact keeps the look and feel that me and my family appreciate.</p> <p>Why go through the time, expense and potential liability to develop along the canal when there are other, more viable options?</p>

Brent	Neidig	13287 S Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	<p>I would like to voice my opposition for the proposed East Jordan Canal trail. It is my objective opinion that the proposed alternate route along Lone Rock Drive is a superior alternative and should be chosen by the council. According to the city's parks and rec master plan, the trail system plays an integral part in the development of the city. As a resident of Draper for the past 10 years, i have really enjoyed using the trail system throughout the city. I am an avid runner and biker and have found myself on one of the many trails on numerous occasions. With that being said, the master plan lays out numerous objectives for the city's trail system. Of those objectives, safety lies high on that list. I believe the proposed trail along the East Jordan Canal completely contradicts this objective; instead it drastically increases safety concerns not only for residents like myself who border the canal, but to all citizens who would eventually use this trail.</p> <p>When we first moved into our home in June 2016, the very first day we were in the home my 2 year old son ran into the backyard and instantly ran to the bank of the canal. He was fascinated with the water and wanted to "touch it." Seeing how he had no fear of the water and wanted to get as close as possible, I quickly ran over to grab him before it was too late. Had he fallen in it would have taken a big effort by myself to fish him out before he drowned. Had he fallen in without me noticing he certainly would have died. The canal runs about 10-15 feet wide and approximately 4 feet deep. It's surrounded by steep muddy banks and has a muddy bottom. There are no rocks to stand up on or provide support should someone fall in. I am certain there will be at least one death per year in this canal should this trail go in. It's also naive to think that every single child will be accompanied by an adult 100% of the time on this trail. Did your parents accompany you every single time you were a child when you did something mischievous or stupid? Of course not. Kids will be kids and they will always find a way to do something they aren't supposed to. The sad reality is that a mischievous act of playing on the trail next to the canal has the potential of not being just a mischievous act, but an act that will end their little life far too short. It will 100% happen. One incident is one too many when it is completely avoidable.</p> <p>Another objective of the trail system is to create continuity. No matter how hard you try, unless you create sky bridges or tunnels, there will always be roads to cross or deviations in the trails. As a runner who has run every single trail in this city I have come to accept that as reality and quite frankly don't care. If there is a break in a trail you run on the road. If there isn't a trail you run on the road. A trail will not increase or decrease activity. It simply makes it a little more enjoyable. This is another reason why this proposed trail is not worth the increased hazard. The proposed alternate route along Lone Rock still allows for continuity on the trail system, reduces cost, and allows for the trail system to run directly in front of a city park that has restroom and water facilities. This will increase activity and sociality at the park, similar to what the willow creek trail has done for Draper park. That is desirable. Not deaths in the canal.</p> <p>Additionally, this very small section of the trail is the only section of the entire trail system in Draper that lies on personal property. There has to be some consideration given to this fact. In conclusion, I quite frankly am incredibly surprised that the city would give so little concern to health and well being of its residents. Safety should be priority number 1. Providing nice accommodations is important, but not at the sacrifice of safety. And the benefit of our proposed alternate trail along Lone Rock Drive accomplishes both objectives and more. It completely reduces the safety concern, it allows for continuity in the trail system, it saves funds that can be used elsewhere to improve the city, it allows for increased mileage in the trail system, provides better amenities for trail users, and it shows that the city council listens to their constituents.</p>
Christopher	Kenworthy	13438 S Corner Bridge Ln	Draper	UT	84020	<p>We would love to see the development of these trails. We often run or bike to the Draper Park and we'd love to be able to stay off the busy streets especially when we have our kids with us.</p>
Julie	Edwards	13438 S Corner Bridge Lane	Draper	UT	84020	<p>This is a fantastic imorovement and one of the reasons we considered moving to this area several years ago. The improvement of this trail will allow all of us, our children and friends to enjoy a much safer path to connect to multiple parks without having to walk along the busy roads. Thanks!</p>
Jackson	Brown	13351 Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	<p>I oppose the trail portion that runs right next to the canal. I love the Draper trails and use them often with my five kids, but to have a trail inches away from a dangerous canal is not ok.</p>
Trina	Jensen	13358 S Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	<p>Members of the city council, Please keep our kids safe consider different options. Thanks I am opposed to the proposed trail, and am in favor of the alternate route through Lone Rock Dr. As a mother of 4 under the age of 10, I share the same safety concern as so many of my neighbors who have already voiced their opinion.</p>
						<p>My safety concerns for my family, neighbors and community trump any other concern, however I want to also provide another point of view. I also look at the effort and funding required to move forward with the proposal, when there is a more than reasonable alternate route (sections of, which are already designated as public trails) providing a much better solution. With the alternate route going through Lone Rock, it runs right along Bellevue Park and connects other parks for full use of their facilities. To me, Draper City can reallocate the funds toward another higher priority project. Thanks.</p>
Shandra	Brown	13351 Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	<p>As a long time citizen of Draper, I strongly oppose the new proposed trail that a portion of it will run next to the canal. As a mother of 5 young children, I do not want my kids or other kids in our community at risk of drowning in a canal. This trail should be re-routed for that small section. We use the draper trails all the time and love them, but I have not seen anywhere in our community where a trail is right next to a dangerous canal with steep banks. Please oppose this and keep our kids safe.</p>
Jessica	Knab	13352 Lakemont Cir	Draper	Ut	84020	<p>I am concerned about the safety of a trail along the east Jordan canal backing the homes on Sunset Stream Drive. In a perfect world there won't be any accidents, but it seems that the steep banks of the canal with so much mud is an accident waiting to happen. I hope Draper City will examine the other options to connect the trail in this area that will be both convenient and safe</p>

Adam	Blodgett	13347 S. Sunset Stream Way	Draper	UT	84020	<p>I thank you for allowing public comments about the proposed trail along Corner Canyon Creek and the East Jordan Canal Trails. It is great to be a part of democracy at work in Draper and truly is one of the great benefits of being an American citizen -- the ability to have your voice heard and important decisions made based on the voice of the people and not just the opinion of a few elected leaders. So thank you in advance for your consideration of these public comments in the decision making process regarding this trail.</p> <p>I love Draper and living in a city that values the parks and trails system. I often walk, run, and bike on the various trails throughout Draper. I am in general supportive of trails and the benefits they bring to a community. However, in this particular case, I want to strongly voice my opposition to the proposed trail along the East Jordan Canal. This section of the canal is extremely dangerous and presents significant risk to our community. There are steep banks directly off of the proposed trail with mud walls and a mud bottom of the canal itself. If a young child fell in to this canal there would be no chance for the child to get out of the canal and would lead to an unnecessary drowning and death. I can't understand how putting so many potential kids' lives at risk are worth completing this section of the trail. The Bellevue community specifically, and the surrounding area in general, are filled with young children who would not be able to survive a fall in to this canal. In speaking with MANY individuals throughout Draper, the common response when learning about the proposed trail route along this section of the canal is "Why would Draper City put this dangerous route in place for a couple blocks of trail?" Unfortunately, there have been some recent tragedies in our own Utah community with trails JUST LIKE THIS ONE PROPOSED. Here is a link to one from just last week: http://fox13now.com/2017/05/31/bystander-revives-baby-after-near-drowning-in-box-elder-county/</p> <p>There are also numerous studies that have been performed very clearly outlining the dangers of canals. Please review this video link as well for more specifics: https://youtu.be/0XvenXF3QoE</p> <p>So I go back to my original question: why would Draper City knowingly and recklessly move forward with putting recreational trail along this dangerous canal?</p> <p>A proposal has been made for an alternate route that instead routes the trail along Lone Rock Drive, which is already a designated a Paved Trail on the Draper Master Plan. I see many benefits of this proposed alternative route, but here are just a few main ones:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Avoid the dangers of the trail adjacent to the canal. 2. Alternative proposal will connect Smith Fields, Bellevue and Draper Parks where trail enthusiasts can enjoy restrooms and drinking fountains along the route. 3. Keep the trees along Carlquist and south end of Sunset Stream Way <p>Thank you again for your consideration of my comments. I ask Draper City to please put safety ahead of all other considerations and listen to the voice of the people to reroute this trail along alternate routes for our trails that do not put our kids at risk.</p>
Ron	Brown	785 Southfork Drive	Draper	Utah	84020	
Lisa	Brown	785 Southfork Drive	Draper	Utah	84020	<p>I strongly oppose the east Jordan canal section of the trail that runs within feet of the very dangerous canal. We have seen too many kids drown in canals and rivers. This is simply not safe. I use the trails and see people of all ages on the trails, there is no other trail that runs right next to a canal. The trail by my house there was a canal and they buried it and put the canal over the top of it. For the safety of all Draper residents let's not let this trail happen right next to the east Jordan canal.</p>
Sydna	Graf	13299 Ashwood Glen Way	Draper	Utah	84020	<p>I am concerned that a trail along an open canal will be dangerous. I walk by the canal often and it seems to be deep and full most of the time. It seems better to cover the canal. I wouldn't want to use the trail with small children even with close supervision. It seems like an accident waiting to happen.</p>
Hannah	Balderson	13414 fort street	Draper	Utah	84020	<p>I appreciate how hard the draper city works to keep and build and maintain all the wonderful trails throughout our city. They truly are such an asset. I am concerned however and horrified by the proposed trail along the canal. We live on fort street and back on to the proposed trail. I have seen how fast and dangerous the canal goes and, having young children myself, am concerned about a running trail with nothing separating the canal and trail. It would only be a matter of time until there were accidents or casualties with it. While I am excited for another trail, I would ask you to consider an alternative route that keeps our children safe. Thank you</p>
Stephanie	Blodgett	13347 S Sunset Stream Way	Draper	Utah	84020	<p>As a resident of Draper I have used many of the trails around my neighborhood as well as Corner Canyon. I have always enjoyed the outdoors and I'm grateful we have access to all the trails the city currently has. I, however, I am also a mother of 5 children who are all under the age of 10yrs old. For me this truly is a concern of safety. The current master plan has the trail running next to deep open water near residential homes with many young kids. Having a trail so close to the canal especially with no fencing feels like a magnet to call to children. This canal is deep and dangerous. How can you feel ok with taking the risk of possible drownings? There was just a drowning a week ago up north. I just don't understand how the city can feel comfortable and ok with this?! The master plan was made several yrs ago before these homes were even built. Things have changed. A lot has changed. None of the residents were here to have a say when this plan was determined. There is just too much risk! The trail just opens a big case of safety and has the potential to put people's lives in jeopardy. I am in favor of an alternate route that is already an official public paved trail on Lone Rock Drive. Why take the risk?! Lone Rock Dr. is such a short portion of the trail and avoids the vulnerability the canal brings.</p>
BRIAN	COON	13462 LONEROCK DR	DRAPER	UT	84020	<p>The addition of these two trails to the existing trail network in Draper will be a huge plus. As a resident who lives near the Corner Canyon Creek trail I am extremely excited for the easy access it will provide for all the residents in our area to the local network of trails. Two thumbs up from me!</p>
Alecia	Gardenhire	434 E Cherry Crest Drive	Draper	UT	84020	<p>One of the wonderful things I love about living in Draper are the trails. During good weather, I ride my bike several times a week along the Porter Rockwell Trail and Willow Creek Trail. We live in a home along the Corner Canyon Creek Trail and I have enjoyed the view of it from the back of my home. Because I use the trails so frequently, I would be a hypocrite if I opposed paving the Corner Canyon Creek Trail. I am not in opposition to this trail being improved. However, one of my favorite parts of my bike ride is riding by the tall old trees on Carlquist and the East Jordan Canal Trail. It is so picturesque and makes me feel lucky to live in Draper every time I ride by. I am opposed to removing these tall trees that grow along the canal. Additionally, the area does not look very wide and I worry about the safety of children. We have lived along the trail for many years (3 while at 434 Cherry Crest and 7 while at 402 Cherry Crest) and I have often caught our boys and their friends hopping the fence to play in the canal. Fortunately, by the time my children were capable of climbing the 6 foot fence, they were tall enough that standing on the rocky bottom, they were never more than waist deep in the water. It sounds like the East Jordan Canal has a muddy bottom and is deeper and faster moving than the Corner Canyon Canal Trail. I respectfully ask you to reconsider constructing a trail along this canal. We lived in the suburbs of Phoenix for many years. Every summer it seemed there were at least a dozen children who drowned--it is pretty heart wrenching. It would be a tragedy to have the same thing happen here.</p>

Ryan	Summerhays	12068 S Aiden Ridge Dr	Draper	UT	84020	I think that this trail is a great connector loop for many of the existing and new city parks. It adds great value to the trail system in the valley. This trail gives all users the opportunity to get out and enjoy our great trails system.
Steve	Linde	11761 S 700 E	Draper	UT	84020	I would like to see the trails stay on the current alignment, rather than moved to the proposed sidewalk alignment.