To whom it may concern:

I am writing in support of the Hantwick Inter-trust Exchange which proposes to allow Clark County to acquire and manage the current parcel designed for Common School Trust for public park use. As a frequent visitor to the Hantwick/Moulton Falls trail, I can attest to its outstanding beauty and enjoyment following the East Fork of the Lewis River as I immerse in nature along the path. It is not only ADA accessible, but also connects with the steeper, more rugged Tarbell Trail leading up to Rock Creek Campground and beyond. I can honestly say I have hiked the trail in ice and snow, rain, sleet, and drought and have noted large crowds especially during weekends and holidays. I reside in Battle Ground, and I have noted dog walkers, runners, bicyclists, bird watchers, hikers, and visitors of all ages and socioeconomic backgrounds who frequent the path. Furthermore, I have personally led groups of hikers along the trail, and we have experienced the trail leading up to Yacolt Falls most alluring. It is a gem in north Clark County that we need to save.

I urge you to support the Hantwick Inter-trust Exchange to transfer the current parcel designed for Common School Trust for public park use. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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