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Parks, Recreation and Open Space

## LOS ALAMOS COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

## APPLICATION Open Space Advisory Subcommittee

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## **PLEASE NOTE:**

If you reside outside Los Alamos County, you are not eligible for appointment.

Briefly state your reason(s) for wanting to serve on this committee and please give any background information and/or prior experience pertinent to this position.

The trails and open spaces are some of the most unique and impressive features of Los Alamos and as a frequent trail user, I care very deeply about how they are managed and taken care of. By serving on this subcommittee I can be more involved and learn more about the processes. I spent a summer working for the Youth Conservation Corps in Los Alamos and I have a degree in environmental science and will be completing a master's degree in conservation this fall.

Briefly state your understanding of the key issue(s) facing this subcommittee.

With any public lands or open space, one of the key issues is how to acknowledge the needs and desires of different user groups and how to find compromises. In places where trails are popular it is also important to balance promoting trail use with also taking care of the environment and promoting sustainable use of the land. Changes to vegetation, worsening erosion, and the potential for increased trail use all mean that taking good care of our open spaces is ever more important.