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**Subject: Canberra Bushwalking Club (CBC) Submission Kosciuszko National Park – Draft Cycling Strategy**

Dear Project Manager

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Kosciuszko National Park – Draft Cycling Strategy. This club has a direct interest in the proposal, as several of our members run walking events in the area. In brief our comments are below. We are available to further discuss these issues in detail via meetings or correspondence.

**CBC's position on shared tracks:**

CBC is opposed to shared tracks on the grounds of safety. Walkers suffer the greatest consequences from collisions with other users. Cyclists and horse riders are faster, heavier and wear personal protection equipment. CBC supports eliminating the risk to walkers through separation. Where separation is not practical engineering and administrative controls should reduce the risk to very low.

**CBC's position on the Thredbo Valley Track:**

CBC supports the development of the Thredbo Valley Track from Jindabyne to Thredbo. CBC believes the greatest contribution to the wider Snowy Mountains region will be made from promoting the route from Jindabyne to Kosciuszko as a great walk. CBC recommends the Queen Charlotte Track NZ, which uses seasonal closures to cyclists, be used as a model for a shared Thredbo Valley Track.

**CBC's general comments on the Kosciuszko National Park – Draft Cycling Strategy:**

CBC is opposed to changes to the Kosciuszko Plan of Management. Strategies should be developed to comply with the Plan of Management.

CBC is opposed to 'core riders' (refer Table Five) riding the Thredbo Valley Track. Cyclists who seek excitement from riding put walkers at greatest risk of injury.

Once again, the CBC would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to provide our views at this early stage of planning. We would be grateful to be kept informed of progress with the Kosciuszko National Park – Draft Cycling Strategy and any further consultative opportunities.

Yours sincerely

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