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**Sent:** Tuesday, April 20, 2021 12:59 PM  
**To:** Ravalli County Commissioners Office  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Golf Course Road Bike Path - RAL Extension

Dear Ravalli County Commissioners,

My wife and I are in full support of the County pursuing the funding and construction of a walk/bike path along Golf Course Road from the corner of Highway 93 to the Antigone Subdivision. We have resided in one or more subdivisions located along Golf Course Road since 1982. At that time we had small children, and once they were old enough to ride bicycles, we demanded that they never ride on Golf Course Road since there was no shoulder on either side and cars simply drove too darned fast in either direction going to or from Hamilton. We would not allow them to walk to town either for the same reasons.

A walk/bike bath is badly needed, and it has been far too long in the planning and making. Sadly, it took the loss of a young child who simply wanted to play with a neighbor across the street with a friend, to bring this to top of mind of our community. It is extremely important that a safe path be constructed so to never repeat the tragedy that we are all so aware of now. I certainly hope you all can find a way to squeeze sufficient funding from the current or future budgets for this very worthy project!!

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Chuck and Niki Shonkwiler

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