

# RFVHC SUMMARY

## TRAILS & PARKING DESCRIPTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4/10/2022

### Q9 SUTHEY RANCH (Horse and Hiker Trails Only) Including one bike access trail to Red Hill

For equestrian trail riding there is high demand on Sutey Ranch due to ample Truck and Trailer Parking Lot

Ranch trails are good for beginners and families, with gentle hills and no mountain bikes on the trails through the ranch.

#### SUTHEY RANCH - What the RFVHC learned

- **Our engagement in Sutey Ranch has been a great success. Let's continue our efforts to maintain an example of how a Bike Free Open Space Parcel can work.**
- Encourage riders enjoying Sutey Ranch to help keep trails clear.
- Engage bikers and e-bikers with signage, conversational comments and snap a cell photo, if you see them off the Northside Access Trail breaking the "NO Mountain Bikes Rules"
- Dogs must be on leash – more signs or more enforcement needed.

#### In the works - solutions with BLM

- In 2021 with RFVHC help, hundreds of feet of Barbed Wire were removed from the Sutey Ranch property.
- With signage, require removal of manure from parking lot. "Toss your manure back in trailer and take it home"
- Increase signage education that dogs must be on leash with more enforcement and money fines. Post at front of parking lot, so easy to see on arrival.
- Encourage equestrians to stay off the Northside Bike Access Trail to Red Hill.
- Introduce the BLM to the ELCR's Safe Passing Action Plan and RFVHC's Yield signage, which is gaining national attention.
- Introduce BLM to RFVHC's new Yield Sign for the Trails Safe Passing Action Plan and Lexington Kentucky's Equine Land Conservation Resource.
- <https://elcr.org/trails-safe-passing-plan/>
- Funding is being sought for 2022-23-24 projects and working grants with the BLM.