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## **Crook County Commissioners**

For several years, Crook County has proposed an access road from Lower Davis Loop to Highway 27. The purpose of this road is to allow additional safety access out of Juniper Canyon. Based on community surveys, residents wanted to widen Juniper Canyon Road to address emergency and traffic flow concerns in the area. However, Crook County has continued to push the access road between Highway 27 and Juniper Canyon, which appears to also pass through a gated community.

Now the Crook County Commissioners have added the access to the long-term transportation plan without the support of residents. This plan has numerous flaws and issues. The congestion at Lynn and 3<sup>rd</sup>, the fairgrounds, and the surrounding area is already a dangerous issue. Adding an access road to relieve traffic pressure in Juniper Canyon, which again is through a planned gated community, would add congestion, increase risks of accidents, and, with Crook County High School, Crook County Christian, Crook County Fair Grounds, and a park with baseball fields, more children would also be at additional risk. This creates a high level of concern for residents who live in the area and along Highway 27.

Furthermore, the amount of construction and the grade level of this road are highly concerning. During the winter months, the proposed grade could create additional risks, along with accidents and possible fatalities. Who and how is this road going to be maintained?

Understanding the risk of traffic issues throughout Juniper Canyon, there needs to be solutions that the entire community can support. This option is NOT the appropriate option and solution.

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