

*Resolved:* Public information should be public. Specifically, information about open sections of trail should be public and easy to find.

*Rationale:* The benefits of the trail arise from people coming to the trail and using the trail. Further, support for completing the trail depends on visible evidence that people want more, and more continuous, trail. To get more trail usage, people must know where the trail actually is. An implication of this motion is that if any trail chooses not to share information with EPTA, the mileage on those trails will not be counted in the “90 by 90” progress tracking.

*Therefore (the motion):* EPTA strongly encourages member trails to make it easy to find information about sections of the trail that are open to the public: where they are, where the trailheads are, what the character of the trail is (e.g., paved, limestone, shared road, ...).

1. Member trails with web sites are encouraged to maintain up-to-date information on their web sites, in both map and text format.
2. If member trails do not have their own web sites and will provide this information to EPTA, the EPTA web site will provide a way to publicize that information.
3. The EPTA web site will promote the entire system of trails by aggregating the information about member trails (#1 and #2) in a consistent and accessible format, for the benefit of the public.
4. For purposes of tracking progress in the “90 by 90” campaign, the information in #3 will be the definitive source of the mileage on off-road routes.