

D.C. Road Runners Club  
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Arlington, VA 22210

November 9, 1994

Hon. Betty Hager Francis, Director  
DC Department of Public Works  
2000 14th Street NW 6th Floor  
Washington, DC 20009

Dear Ms. Francis:

The DC Road Runners Club represents over 1,300 runners in the Washington, DC area. Our members use Rock Creek Park for recreational running, and our group also sponsors competitive races in the Park. We endorse the Klinge Valley Park Association petition urging DPW not to re-open Klinge Road to vehicular traffic.

Instead, we recommend that Klinge Road be converted into a bikeway / jogging trail that would allow non-vehicular access to Rock Creek Park. In recent years, a number of steps have been taken to enhance the recreational uses of the Park, particularly the closing of Beach Drive on weekends. Although the closing of Klinge Road occurred for other reasons, it has had a beneficial impact on the Park, and our members would be sorry to see the road reopened.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Robert C. Platt, President