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Please do not purchase any more open space land until current open space lands are managed properly. Open space managers continue to refuse to control knapweed and other weeds across existing open space lands. There are hundreds of thousands of knapweed plants on open space lands especially on Mt. Jumbo, the Upper Duncan Drive Lands, Waterworks Hill and elsewhere. This is an embarrassment that threatens the health of people, plants and animals.

Many open space trails are multiple-track mud pits and eroded gullies. We need proper trail systems before we buy new lands.

It is irresponsible to buy more land when we can't manage what we have properly. Adjacent landowners are struggling to control weeds when open space managers simply refuse. Why do we allow public employees to perpetuate weed-infested, muddy and eroding lands?

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