



BYLAWS *Adopted April 19th, 2006*

1. The **mission** of the EarthRiders Mountain Bike Club is to *grow the sport* of mountain biking through advocacy, social interaction, setting a good example, working with landowners to provide riding opportunities, and providing training and resources for trail maintenance.

2. **Membership** in EarthRiders is open to any person upon payment of dues, and for as long as the member agrees with the principles and mission of being an EarthRider. Membership classes include:

Individual: \$25/calendar year

Family: \$30/calendar year

Bike Store Employee/Bike Cop: Free

Dues may be waived in special cases with the agreement of the club officers. New member signups made after July 31st of each year will carry through the following calendar year. Members are entitled to certain perks or privileges which are subject to change. Contact an EarthRiders Officer or Ambassador for details.

3. Members shall be entitled to the following **benefits**: to receive meeting notices; to nominate for office, vote in elections, and hold office; to participate in committees; and to take part in the planning and undertakings of the group.

4. General **meetings** are scheduled once every month, and, weather permitting, are generally ride/meetings, which are open to all members and guests and all skill levels. Anyone who requires assistance or guidance at a meeting is encouraged to seek out an EarthRiders Officer. Every effort will be made to accommodate attendees' needs. Meetings will be announced through the EarthRiders.com website and occasionally by mail and/or E-mail.

5. In October of each even-numbered year, new **officers** shall be appointed to represent the group. The President shall be appointed from among the currently-serving officers. New officers shall be appointed by the currently-serving officers unless the membership requests a *general election* through a majority vote at any EarthRiders general meeting. Elections will then be held at the next general meeting. Nominations for elections must be made no less than 10 days before the scheduled election. The officers will make notice of the election by mail and/or E-mail to each member no less than 10 days prior to the election. 20% of the currently active membership shall constitute a quorum.

The officers and their duties are as follows:

President: lead meetings, provide direction, represent club to the public at large, make tie-breaking decisions among officers.

Vice President: support the president, assume the role as necessary, lead special projects.

Treasurer: maintain the EarthRiders financial accounts in trust and make financial reports to the organization.

Secretary: keep written records of EarthRiders meetings and activities.

Membership Database Manager: Maintain the database of EarthRiders members. Information in the EarthRiders member database will not be shared with third parties except to directly benefit the members as agreed by the EarthRiders Officers.

Meetings Manager: schedule and promote the club's monthly meetings and manage those meetings' logistics.

Ambassador: promote the club, host and organize scheduled rides, promote trail work, organize and publicize EarthRiders meetings, provide printed information about EarthRiders, and call expired members when they don't renew; all through a network of Regional Ambassadors.

Content Manager: maintain the data on the www.EarthRiders.com website to the support of the EarthRiders mission.

Webmaster: manage the EarthRiders.com server and the forums.EarthRiders.com discussion forum.

6. These **bylaws** are to be used to guide the EarthRiders membership and especially its officers in carrying out its mission as stated above. Changes may be made by agreement of the EarthRiders Officers or by membership vote at any general membership meeting, provided notice is made to the membership by mail or E-mail 30 days before such changes are permanently enacted.