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Letter of Support

Roger Clapp

Executive Director, Revitalizing Waterbury

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Dear Mr. Clapp,

I am writing to acknowledge our support for the Waterbury Pathways Project initiative and your application for a Planning Grant from the Recreation Trails Program. This project will serve to determine how to better connect and increase access to pedestrian and bike trails and networks within the Town of Waterbury. With technical support of the NPS Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program and engaging businesses, recreation organizations, landowners and the general public in facilitated discussions on trail use, functionality, access, mapping, design, engineering, easements and permitting, the Waterbury Pathways planning project aims to develop a phased approach to further project implementation over the next three years.

The Town of Waterbury owns and maintains trails through Dac Rowe and Hope Davey Parks and has been involved with upgrades to the Community Path between Waterbury Center and the downtown area. Currently, the Town is in the final stages of acquiring Randall Meadow from the State of Vermont and has been awarded a CDBG grant of \$2 million to mitigate flood risk through flood plain reconnection and enhanced water storage capacity within the 45-acre parcel. The Town is one of the partners in the NPS study group and commits to participating in the planning of expanded recreational use of Randall Meadow and adjacent trail areas leading up to and through flood mitigation implementation process. In particular, the Town agrees to work with RW on planning improvements to river and trail access points and trail maintenance plans.

Sincerely,

Bill Woodruff

Waterbury Public Works Director