2023 Transportation Growth Management Grant Application

Instructions

Be sure to download and review the **2023 Application Packet** and **2023 Application Instructions** before filling out this grant application.

You can save your progress and revisit this form at any time by clicking the "Save" button at the bottom of the page.

Applications must be received by July 27, 2023 at 11:59 p.m. (PDT)

Applicant information

Instructions: Complete this information for the applicant. Provide both a designated contact and an authorized representative (if different than the designated contact) for your entity.

Response instructions are on page 3 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

Primary applicant jurisdiction

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District

Mailing address

150 Beavercreek Road, Oregon City, Oregon 97045

Website

https://ncprd.com/

Contact person name

Heather Koch

Contact person title

Planning & Development Director

Contact phone

(971) 337-6867

Contact email

HKoch@ncprd.com

Name of person empowered to sign the agreement with ODOT, if different from the applicant contact

Tootie Smith

Title of above named person

NCPRD Board of Directors Chair, Clackamas County Commission Chair.

Phone Email

List co-applicants (if a joint project)

List co-applicants (if a joint project)

Providing match?

Upload your resolution, minutes or authorized letter from governing body of applying jurisdiction(s) here:

TGM NCPRD SIGNED BOARD ORDER & Staff Report 2023-07-27.pdf

Project information

Response instructions are on page 4 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

Project title

Trails System Plan

Project area: Using either of the two fields below, attach a map of the project area or describe the area your project is located in.

Option 1: Project area map

2021 District Map.pdf

Option 2: Project area description

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District

boundary

ODOT region (1-5)

Region 1

ODOT Region Map

Type of grant

Category 1: Transportation System Planning

Summary description of project

The NCPRD Trails System Plan will create an implementable vision for bicycle and pedestrian trails throughout the District. Several documents guide the acquisition, development, and management of NCPRD trails, including the 2004 Parks Master Plan, but none provide recent guidance or the detail, priorities, and tools that NCPRD needs to strategically plan, develop, and manage our trail system. The Plan will: (1) utilize community engagement, research, and spatial analysis to prioritize trail system projects; (2) develop maps, polices, protocols, guidelines, alignment concepts and other tools enabling NCPRD to strategically plan, develop, and manage the trail system; and (3) support an increase in active transportation options.

Project cost table

Response instructions are on page 5 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

TGM funds requested for the work identified in **Criterion 3**

Consultant \$300.000.00 Local reimbursement

Total TGM funds requested \$300,000.00

Local match

Minimum Match (Calculated) \$34,336.34

Local governments that are on the Distressed Communities list are eligible for a partial match waiver.

Click yes if your local government is on the Distressed Communities list and you need to receive a waiver.

No

Match to be provided

Labor, supplies and services during Payment when Intergovernmental project

Agreement is signed

\$34,336.34

Award criteria

Criterion 1: Proposed project addresses a need and supports TGM objectives (up to 40 points)

The project clearly and effectively addresses a local or regional transportation or transportation-related land use issue, problem, need, or opportunity and will achieve one or more of the TGM objectives.

Response instructions are on page 10 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

Explain how your proposed project addresses a need and supports TGM objectives

The goal of the grant project is to develop a comprehensive trail system plan that can be implemented consistent with the NCPRD System Plan and other local and regional comprehensive plans. NCPRD is currently launching the Parks and Recreation System Plan process, which will be a long-range plan for the entire parks and recreation organization. The plan will provide an updated mission and vision, goals, priority strategies, and actions that are supported by the community and by leadership; funding strategies that will make implementation possible; and an implementation plan that staff can effectively pursue. The plan will incorporate research and analysis of system-wide District trails needs and identify connectivity gaps between parks, trails, natural areas, and facilities. It will integrate a system-wide District trails vision and framework that will set the stage for an upcoming Trails System Plan.

Several documents guide the acquisition, development, and management of NCPRD trails, including the 2004 Parks Master Plan, but none provide recent guidance or the detail, priorities, and tools that NCPRD needs to strategically manage our trail system. With the lack of clear and recent priorities, the trail system in this area of Clackamas County is underdeveloped and plans are without the focus to attract and leverage critical funding to improve and expand the system. In addition, NCPRD needs to inclusively engage residents, particularly communities that have not been meaningfully engaged in past.

The NCPRD Trails System Plan will create an implementable vision for trails through diverse public input and make recommended updates to the current trail system projects and priorities; and create maps, polices, protocols, guidelines, and other tools that help NCPRD strategically plan, develop, and manage the trail system. This will include regional trail feasibility analysis, integration of multi-use trail and active transportation plans and policies with Clackamas County DTD and Metro, and development of detailed concepts for some priority segments. It will result in information that can be applied to the upcoming Clackamas County Transportation System Plan update and prepare NCPRD to apply for upcoming active transportation grants and funding.

The NCPRD Trail System Plan supports the TGM Objectives in the following ways:

- 1.1, 1.3, 1.4: Trail System Plan implementation will provide for additional off-street multi-use trails that will offer people in Clackamas County with a variety of transportation options to travel between destinations. Trails will provide a safer alternative than riding or walking on the street and will provide for mobility choices for underserved communities and those with limited options. Several NCPRD neighborhoods experience above-average percentage of households with a disability, low-incomes, and areas with high populations of older adults and youth that have limited access to transportation options. There are also high-crash areas within the 82nd avenue corridor and McLoughlin Avenue that are intimidating to ride a bike or walk through. Developing a trails system plan will provide our community with safe and convenient walking, biking, and public transportation opportunities to support a healthy, active lifestyle. Creating conditions that support active travel is a needed intervention to support health. Clackamas County has the second highest percentage of residents that commute alone via car for 30 or more minutes in the state and only 20% of adults engage in regular physical activity that meets the national guidelines of 150 minutes of moderate physical activity per week. The 2017-2020 Blueprint for a Healthy Clackamas County identifies physical environments as key determinants in individuals and community's abilities to adopt and sustain healthy behaviors. The NCPRD Trails System Plan will focus on creating more opportunities for physical activity to improve health.
- 2, 2.2: NCPRD is applying to TGM to develop a detailed Trails System Plan for future bike and pedestrian transportation choices that will create a community that is connected, vibrant, and has easy access to parks, trails, and natural areas.
- 5, 5.1: The NCPRD Trail System Plan will develop a plan to build trails through our parks and natural areas that will allow people to access and learn from our valuable natural resources. We will promote environmental stewardship through new interpretive signage along the trails and reduce emissions of air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions by giving people safe and accessible routes to bike to locations within their neighborhood and throughout the region instead of drive.
- 3, 3.1, 3.2: The goal of the NCPRD Trail System plan is to create a thriving community by connecting the Clackamas Regional Center, Clackamas employment centers, and homes via bicycle and pedestrian trails.

Criterion 2: Proposed project is timely and urgent (up to 25 points)

The application demonstrates timeliness and urgency. The project is needed now to:

- address pressing local transportation and land use issues
- make amendments to local plans or regulations necessitated by changes in federal regulations.

state requirements or regional plans

- make amendments to local plans or regulations necessitated by changes that were not anticipated in previous plans, including growth or lack of growth, changes in land-use patterns or changes in available funding
- build on, complement or take a necessary step toward completing or implementing other high priority community initiatives, including Governor's Regional Solutions Team priority
- resolve transportation or land use-related issues affecting the project readiness of local, regional or state transportation projects for which funding is expected to be obligated within the near future

Response instructions are on page 12 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

Explain how your proposed project is timely and urgent

The proposed project is extremely timely given NCPRD's current work to develop a District-wide Park and Recreation System Plan. The current plan is over 20 years old and desperately in need of updating. The plan will identify system-wide District trails needs and connectivity gaps between parks, trails, natural areas, and facilities and develop the community's overall vision for trails and gaps in the system, providing the ideal platform to launch this proposed Trails System Plan. The Trails System Plan is urgently needed to provide the details, priorities, and strategies that NCPRD needs to strategically grow and manage our trail system, attract funding, and meet community needs. NCPRD also needs to develop a Trails System Plan so that community goals are reflected in local and regional plans, including the Comprehensive Plans and Transportation System Plans of Milwaukie and Clackamas County, and the Regional Transportation Plan. Those plans rely on NCPRD to be the off-street active transportation provider within the District. This project is timely and urgent because several other projects are in the works and/or planned that this project will be a key contributor to:

- 1. NCPRD is engaged in the TGM-funded Walk Bike Clackamas Plan, which is working to improve active transportation opportunities. The plan will be completed in late 2023 and includes biking and walking policy priorities, a prioritized list of projects to make biking and walking safer and more accessible, and a list of potential program investments. However, the project does not specifically address NCPRD proposed off-street trail projects. The Trails System Plan will fill this missing gap in active transportation planning within the County.
- 2. Clackamas County is preparing to update its 2013 Transportation System Plan which contains a list of over 300 capital projects that include active transportation and regional trails projects, of which NCPRD is a contributor.
- 3. NCPRD recently participated in the Metro-led 2023 Regional Transportation Plan process and found that our projects were not prepared to a level adequate to receive future funding. The Trail System Plan will develop projects poised for future funding and support.

The NCPRD Trails System Plan will address pressing local transportation and land use issues. Clackamas County has been feeling the pressure from development as the region has grown. The transportation system is feeling that strain, and people are looking for ways to safely walk and bike, particularly to parks, schools, and commercial destinations. Higher-density development offers people options to limit reliance on motor vehicles, but the infrastructure for alternative transportation is typically not ample or available.

This project can move forward without local actions. NCPRD will develop the Trails System Plan using staff that already exists and are budgeted to include this work. In addition to permanent planning division staff, we have hired a GIS specialist who will build the trails layers and data that will support this project. NCPRD is also recruiting a community engagement intern to assist with the project. The NCPRD Board of Directors will adopt the Trails System Plan. The governing bodies of Clackamas County and Milwaukie will also adopt planning and zoning amendments to ensure consistency with the Trails System Plan.

Criterion 3: Proposed project approach supports policy decision (up to 20 points)

The application demonstrates a clear approach to achieving the expected outcome and includes consideration for adoption. Where substantial coordination with other local, regional, and state planning efforts will need to occur, the mechanisms and responsibilities for the coordination are clear.

Response instructions are on page 13 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

Tasks and deliverables table

What are your proposed tasks and deliverables

Task 1: Public Involvement Strategy – Community engagement is critical to a successful Trails System Plan. A meaningful public outreach process will involve a diverse group of stakeholders to lay the groundwork for the future of the trail system. The consultant and NCPRD will create a community engagement schedule and work plan, including a Trails System Visioning Survey, project website, Interactive Web Mapping, Focus Group Meetings, and Public Open House(s). In the interest of removing barriers to participation, we will provide support to community members and stakeholders through translation services, childcare, and providing stipends for stakeholder participation in a focus group or on a committee. Timeline: Throughout project

Task 2: Existing Conditions – The consultant will; conduct a review of existing plans and trail resources, GIS data, and field conditions; work with NCPRD staff, Advisory Committees, and engage with stakeholders, staff, and community members to identify needs, opportunities, and constraints for a comprehensive trail system. A level of service trailshed analysis will be completed in 2023 by Design Workshop as part of the Parks and Recreation System Plan and will be incorporated in this task. Deliverables include: A Gaps Analysis and Recommendations Summary, understanding partner jurisdictions' requirements, building partnerships, support, understanding of responsibilities for implementation and long-term management. Timeline: Months 1-4

Task 3: Needs & Priorities Assessment Analysis – This task determines the gaps between existing and desired conditions. NCPRD and consultant will implement the Community Engagement Plan. Use strategies in Community Engagement Plan to identify needs, gaps, and barriers for NCPRD trails. NCPRD will coordinate with other local, regional, and state initiatives such as the Clackamas County Transportation Plan update, and work with local trail advocacy groups such as the 40-mile Loop and Northwest Trail Alliance to ensure that we are including stakeholders within our community. We will also coordinate with Metro to ensure that we are reflecting regional trail and transportation initiatives and standards.

Timeline: Months 4-8

Task 4: Design Guidelines and Standards - The consultant will review trail standards from Clackamas County, Metro, Milwaukie, ODOT, Happy Valley, and nationally recognized standards and guidelines. The consultant will modify to NCPRD's context and create a uniform and reliable set of trail design guidelines and standards that will address design considerations for trail users, trail classifications standards, trail amenities and support facilities, and signage and wayfinding. Crime prevention through environmental design best practices will be used. Critical dimensions and considerations, annotated graphics and renderings, and references for more detailed design guidance will be provided. Timeline: Months 8-12

Task 5: Recommended Projects. The consultant will guide staff and advisory committees through a prioritization process that will result in a Trail Projects List and Map. The consultant will Prepare alignment, design assumptions, and cost estimates for 5 high priority projects including capital development and operations and establish project limits, major elements, and design assumptions. An Implementation Strategy will address standards, partners, Funding limitations and opportunities, and provide steps for seeking funding for design and construction of priority trail projects. The consultant will work with NCPRD staff to create intuitive and measurable Trail System Plan performance measures. Timeline: Months 12-16

Task 6: FINAL PLAN - A Draft Trails System Plan will be developed by the consultant that builds upon tasks and deliverables completed during the planning process. The plan will be reviewed by the Board of Directors and shared with our community. The final Trails System Plan will include an executive summary that explains the process and results of the plan. The plan will include 3 tiers of priority projects; goals, objectives, and policies; supportive program recommendations; racial equity and health frameworks to guide future trail decisions; project cost analysis; funding and implementation strategy. The document will be graphic-rich with photographs and diagrams highlighting key concepts. Timeline: Months 16-18

Task 7: ADOPTION - The Plan will be adopted by the NCPRD Board of Directors in a Business Meeting. The plan will also be adopted as an element of the Milwaukie Comprehensive Plan. NCPRD will also need to coordinate with Clackamas County to ensure that the Clackamas County Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan are updated to reflect the goals of the Trails System Plan. Timeline: Month 18

How will the project approach lead to a successful project?

NCPRD staff will be responsible for ensuring the District's goals and the interests of its residents are first and foremost throughout the project and will conduct outreach and engage community stakeholders throughout the project, with special emphasis on our underserved community. The NCPRD District Advisory Committee and Board of Directors will be engaged in the project, with our consultant providing us technical expertise, resulting in a community-supported Trails System Plan.

If adoption hearings will be held as part of a larger project, when will that be and as part of what project? (optional)

Criterion 4: Proposed project has community support (up to 5 points)

The application demonstrates that there is local support for project objectives, a commitment to participate, and a desire to implement the expected outcome.

Response instructions are on page 15 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

Upload letters of support from stakeholders here
NCPRD TGM Grant Letter of Support - Edge - 2023-07-27 FINAL.pdf
TGM_NCPRDTrailsPlan_DTD LOS FINAL.pdf
RyanSteeSupportLetter07252023.pdf

Criterion 5: Proposed project sponsor is ready and capable (up to 10 points)

The application demonstrates that the local government is ready and able to begin the project within the TGM timetable and that there is local commitment and capability to manage and complete the project. The application demonstrates, if applicable, successful performance on previous TGM projects.

Response instructions are on page 16 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

Explain how proposed project sponsor is ready and capable

NCPRD will be ready and able to begin the Trail System Plan project in mid-2024. Local Commitment to this project can be shown by the matching funds provided in the capital fund budget that was approved in Fiscal Year 2023-2024 as part of the NCPRD Parks and Recreation System Plan project. The NCPRD Board of Directors supports this project and have provided their approval to apply.

NCPRD staff have demonstrated, through recent planning projects, the capacity and proficiency in developing and completing similar planning projects. Our diverse staff will be involved in the project from management to data collection to community engagement. We are building strong ties to the community and connections with both public and private stakeholders through the current NCPRD Parks and Recreation System Plan project that will carry-through to the Trails System Plan process. The Plan efforts will be nearing completion by the time the Trails System Plan project begins, allowing staff to focus efforts on the timely completion of this project.

NCPRD staff, alongside ODOT staff, will assist in project management, scope of work development and private consultant selection. Current County staff who will work on the project include Principal Planner Alex Gilbertson, who has over 17 years of experience in managing planning, community development, parks and recreation, transportation, environmental protection and restoration, landscape architecture and construction projects, and community engagement. The project communications will be assisted by Melina DeFrancesco, NCPRD Marketing Communications Manager, who has over 13 years of experience in design, engagement, and marketing. NCPRD does not have any prior TGM-funded projects, however, Scott Hoelscher, Clackamas County Senior Planner, who has more than 15 years planning experience, including managing the current TGM-funded Walk Bike Clackamas plan project, will provide support and assistance with this project.

If applicable, list local jurisdiction's TGM projects within last 10 years and their status

If applicable, list local jurisdiction's TGM projects within last 10 years and their status

TGM File	Project Title	Status
Code	_	

Bonus points: Housing (up to 10 points)

Response instructions are on page 7 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

How will the adoption of the final document(s) address barriers to a broad range of housing types and affordability or works to link the location of future workforce housing to walkable/bikeable areas with good transit?

Trail System Plan implementation will provide safe bicycle and pedestrian connections between schools, employment in the Clackamas Regional Center and Industrial Center and McLoughlin, and parks, light rail, stores, and affordable housing to 105,000 Clackamas County and Milwaukie residents. NCPRD will put equity first, prioritizing trails that center our diverse community members, ensuring that the trails focus on connecting workforce housing and jobs, building a healthier Clackamas County.

Required forms

Title VI: Racial & Ethnic Impact Statement form Racial-Ethnic-Impact-Statement NCPRD 2023-07-27.pdf

<u>Download the Racial & Ethnic Impact Statement</u> <u>form here</u>

Certifications

Response instructions are on page 8 of the 2023 Application Instructions.

Eligibility criteria

This application demonstrates a clear transportation relationship
This application demonstrates adoption of products to meet project objectives
This application demonstrates the support of local officials

Preparation of application

This application was prepared by staff of the primary applicant or staff of one of the involved jurisdictions

Would you like to receive TGM news and updates? Yes

Today's date 7/27/2023

If you encounter any issues with the submittal process, please contact:

Rachael Levasseur
Planning Section Web Coordinator
Rachael.LEVASSEUR@odot.oregon.gov



Michael Bork, Director
North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District
3811 SE Concord Road
Milwaukie. OR 97267

July 27, 2023 BCC Agenda Date/Item: 20230727 II.A

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District Board of Directors

Approval of a Board Order authorizing the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District to apply for the Oregon Department of Transportation and Department of Land Conservation and Development Transportation and Growth Management Program grant for the Trails System Plan. Grant value is \$264,000 with a \$36,000 match. Funding through the Oregon Department of Transportation and Department of Land Conservation and Development with match funded by NCPRD Capital Asset Fund. No County General Funds are involved.

Previous Board	Not applicable	Not applicable		
Action/Review				
Performance	Build public t	Build public trust through good government.		
Clackamas	 Honor, utilize 	 Honor, utilize, promote, and invest in our natural resources. 		
	Ensure, safe, healthy, and secure communities			
Counsel Review	JM 7/18/2023	Procurement Review	No	
Contact Person	Katie Dunham	Contact Phone	(206) 251-1654	

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

NCPRD is currently beginning the Parks and Recreation System Plan process. The System Plan will be a long-range plan for the entire parks and recreation organization. The plan will provide an updated mission and vision, goals, priority strategies, and actions that are supported by the community and by leadership, funding strategies that will make implementation possible; and an implementation plan that staff can effectively pursue. The plan will incorporate research and analysis of system-wide District trails needs, identify connectivity gaps between parks, trails, natural areas, and facilities, and integrate a system-wide District trails vision and framework that will set the stage for an upcoming and more detailed Trails System Plan.

On February 14, 2023, NCPRD submitted a pre-application to ODOT for consideration of TGM funding assistance for the Trails System Plan project. NCPRD has been invited to submit a 2023 TGM full application. The TGM objectives include providing transportation choices to support communities with the balanced and interconnected transportation networks necessary

For Filing Use Only

for mobility, equity, and economic growth, creating communities composed of vibrant neighborhoods and lively centers linked by accessible transportation, and promoting environmental stewardship through sustainable land use and transportation planning. NCPRD is applying to access this program to develop a Trails System Plan for future bike and pedestrian transportation choices that will create a community that is connected, vibrant, and provides easy access to parks, trails, and natural areas.

Several documents guide the acquisition, development, and management of NCPRD trails, including the 2004 Parks Master Plan, but none provide the detail and focus that NCPRD needs to strategically plan, develop, and manage our trail system. The NCPRD Trails System Plan will create an implementable vision for trails through analysis and public input and make recommended updates to the current trail system projects and priorities. The Plan will develop maps, polices, protocols, guidelines, and other tools that help NCPRD strategically plan, develop, and manage the trail system. This will include regional trail feasibility analysis. It will also integrate multi-use trail and active transportation plans and policies with Clackamas County DTD and Metro and develop detailed concepts for some of the plans. It will result in information that can be applied to the upcoming Clackamas County Transportation System Plan update and prepare NCPRD to apply for upcoming active transportation grants and funding.

Support from the governing body of NCPRD to apply for funding assistance is required by the TGM Program grant administrator. A Board Order is attached to indicate support to apply.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board, acting as the NCPRD Board of Directors, approve a Board Order authorizing the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District to apply for the Oregon Department of Transportation and Department of Land Conservation and Development Transportation and Growth Management Program grant for the NCPRD Trails System Plan.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Board Order authorizing the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District to apply for the ODOT and DLCD Transportation and Growth Management Program grant for the NCPRD Trails System Plan.
- 2. Financial Assistance Application Lifecycle Form

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Bork NCPRD Director

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of authorizing the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District to apply to the Oregon Department of Transportation and Department of Land Conservation Transportation and Growth Management Program for Trails System Plan funding

Board Order No. <u>2023-083</u> *Page 1 of 2*

This matter coming	
	; and

Whereas, the Oregon Department of Transportation and Department of Land Conservation and Development are accepting applications for the Transportation and Growth Management Program (TGM) through July 27, 2023; and

Whereas, North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District ("NCPRD") desires to participate in this grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means of providing needed park, trail, and recreation improvements and enhancements; and

Whereas, the NCPRD Advisory Committee ("DAC") and the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Board of Directors of NCPRD, have identified trail improvements and planning as a high priority need within the District; and

Whereas, The NCPRD Trails System Plan will create an implementable vision for the trails system through diverse public input and make recommended updates to the current trail system projects and priorities; and create maps, polices, protocols, guidelines, and other documents that help NCPRD strategically plan, develop, and manage the trail system.

Whereas, NCPRD is seeking Transportation and Growth Management Program funding specifically for completion of a Trail System Plan; and

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of authorizing the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District to apply to the Oregon Department of Transportation and Department of Land Conservation Transportation and Growth Management Program for Trails System Plan funding

Board Order No. <u>2023-083</u> *Page 2 of 2*

Whereas, the NCPRD Trail System Plan project is consistent with the goals of the TGM program and meets necessary funding match for the program; and

Whereas, NCPRD has available local matching funds to fulfill its 12% share of obligation related to this grant application should the grant funds be awarded; and

Whereas, NCPRD will provide adequate funding for ongoing operations and maintenance of trails that are proposed within the Trails System Plan when trails are developed, should the grant funds be awarded.

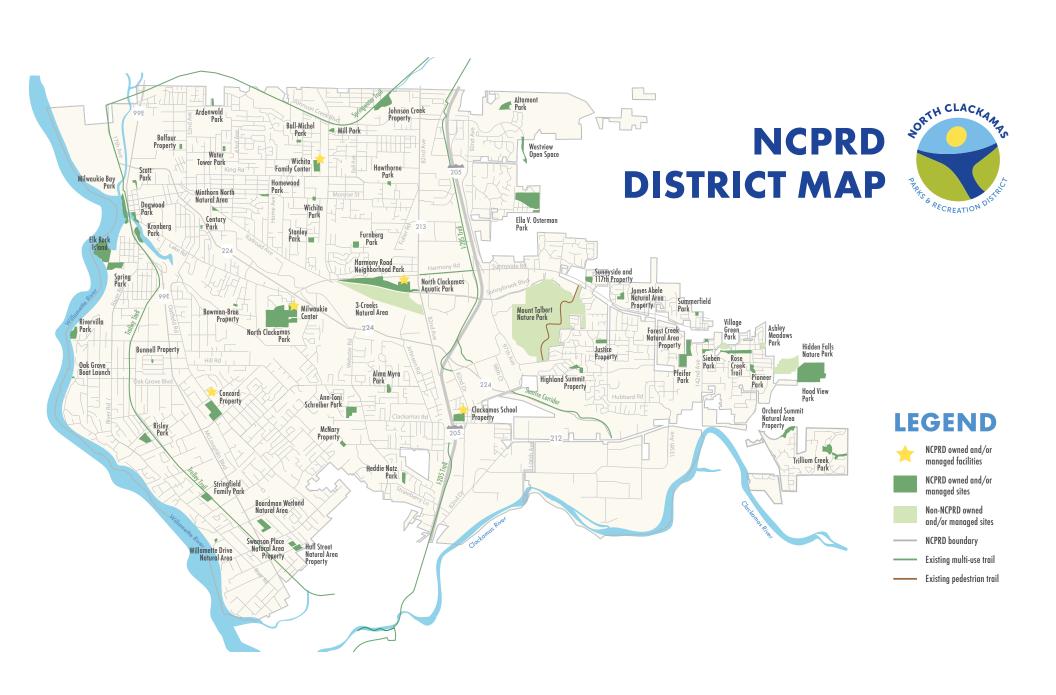
NOW THEREFORE, the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners do hereby order that the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Board of Directors of NCPRD, demonstrates its support for the submittal of a grant application to the Oregon Department of Transportation and Department of Land Conservation Transportation Management Program for development of the NCPRD Trail System Plan and does hereby authorize NCPRD to apply for approximately \$264,000 for planning assistance.

DATED this <u>27th</u> day of <u>July</u>, 2023

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chair

Recording Secretary



July 27, 2023

Glen Bolen, AICP
Principal Planner / TGM Region Lead
Oregon Dept of Transportation
123 NW Flanders St.
Portland, OR 97209

Dear Mr. Bolen,

As the Vice Chair of the Clackamas County Pedestrian and Bikeway Advisory Committee, I support NCPRD's Transportation Growth Management Program (TGM) grant application, which seeks to develop a Trail System Plan that will provide a guide map for future trail planning, acquisition, and development within the district. The Clackamas County Pedestrian and Bikeway Advisory Committee works to develop bicycle and pedestrian safety programs, reviews bicycle and pedestrian project priorities, and works on the county's Active Transportation. The proposed North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD) Trail System Plan project is complementary with the goals of the PBAC; which are to develop a coordinated system of safe and convenient bikeways and walkways, stimulate public awareness, and examine current and future financing options and budget strategies for bicycle and pedestrian projects.

The 6-mile Trolley Trail was completed by NCPRD in partnership with our community in 2011 and has been a great asset for Clackamas County. The Trolley Trail has been and continues to be a driving force for change in the neighborhood. It has helped create a more livable community.

I support NCPRD's application for the TGM program to develop a Trail System Plan. The project supports the TGM Program objectives of providing transportation choices to support communities with the balanced and interconnected transportation networks necessary for mobility, equity, and economic growth, and will help create a community within NCPRD composed of vibrant neighborhoods and lively centers linked by accessible transportation. Please support NCPRD in developing a Trail System Plan that will help give them the ability to develop partnerships, acquire land, design, and develop future trails that connect the entire community and connect us to the surrounding region. I am excited to be part of the future NCPRD Trail System Plan process!

Sincerely,

Joseph P. Edge
Vice Chair, Clackamas County Pedestrian and Bikeway Advisory Committee



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES BUILDING

150 Beavercreek Road Oregon City, OR 97045

July 27, 2023

Glen Bolen, AICP Principal Planner / TGM Region Lead Oregon Dept of Transportation 123 NW Flanders St. Portland, OR 97209

Dear Mr. Bolen,

The Clackamas County Department of Transportation and Development (DTD) has been working to improve bicycle and transportation infrastructure through the ODOT funded *Walk Bike Clackamas Plan*. This plan will:

- Establish infrastructure priorities, such as where to build new bike lanes and sidewalks, which will help the county apply for future grants and other funding opportunities.
- Identify programs that increase safety and convenience of walking and biking.
- Update active transportation polices and adopt performance measures so we can track progress during implementation.
- Serve as the pedestrian and bicycle transportation elements of the county's updated Transportation System Plan (TSP)

NCPRD staff has been working to support the project as a member of the Walk Bike Advisory Committee, providing expertise on trails and parks as an important part of the active transportation infrastructure. We support NCPRD's application to the Transportation Growth Management Program for a Trails System Plan. The Trails System Plan will be a valuable tool, providing goals and direction for urban regional trails that will be managed by NCPRD, and will correspond well with the Bike Clackamas Plan, which focuses primarily on bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure within the County-owned right-of-way.

Clackamas County needs more trails that link our community and provide safe and convenient walking, biking, and public transportation opportunities to support a healthy, active lifestyle. Please support NCPRD in developing a Trail System Plan that will help give them the ability to develop partnerships, fund, acquire land, design, and develop future trails that connect the entire community and connect us to the surrounding region. I am excited to be partner with NCPRD in the future Trail System Plan process!

Sincerely,

Scott Hoelscher

Scott Hoelscher, Senior Transportation Planner Clackamas County Dept. of Transportation & Development July 26, 2023

Glen Bolen, AICP
Principal Planner / TGM Region Lead
Oregon Dept of Transportation
123 NW Flanders St.
Portland, OR 97209

Dear Mr. Bolen,

As member and Chair of the North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District (NCPRD) Advisory Committee, I am in support of NCPRD's TGM grant application, which seeks to develop a Trail System Plan that will provide a guide map for future trail planning, acquisition, and development within the district. Future trail development within the district will provide alternative transportation choices to support communities with the balanced and interconnected transportation networks necessary for mobility, equity, and economic growth.

As a resident of the District, I know the positive affect that the 6-mile Trolley Trail has had on our community since it was completed in 2011. It has helped create a more livable community and reinvigorated the Oak Grove neighborhood and downtown that I live in. It has helped provided for a well-located activity center, including schools, other government services, restaurants, and shops to develop, and thrive as well as health and wellness for the community. People can travel along the Trolley Trail to activity centers like downtown Milwaukie, which hosts a weekly summer farmer's market, and to the Park Avenue Max Station, which enables community members to travel to Portland and as far as Hillsboro for work, without having to bike or walk on the surrounding road infrastructure.

Access to the Trolley Trail was one of the reasons that I chose to move to this neighborhood. The greater NCPRD-area, including Clackamas and Milwaukie is in significant need more of these trails that connect the community and provide safe and convenient walking, biking, and public transportation opportunities to support a healthy, active lifestyle. Please support NCPRD in developing a Trail System Plan that will help give them the ability to develop partnerships, acquire land, design, and develop future trails that connect the entire community and connect us to the surrounding region. I look forward to being part of the NCPRD Trail System Plan process!

Sincerely

Ryan Stee

DAC Chair, community member

RACIAL AND ETHNIC IMPACT STATEMENT

This form is used for informational purposes only and must be included with the grant application.

Chapter 600 of the 2013 Oregon Laws require applicants to include with each grant application a racial and ethnic or

policie	t statement. The statement provides info	ormation as to the disproportionate or unique impact the proposed crons ¹ in the State of Oregon if the grant is awarded to a corporation or				
1.	The proposed grant project policies or programs could have a disproportionate or unique <u>positive</u> impact on the following minority persons:					
	Indicate all that apply:					
	Women	Asians or Pacific Islanders				
	Persons with Disabilities	American Indians				
	African-Americans	Alaskan Natives				
	Hispanics					
2.	The proposed grant project policies or programs could have a disproportionate or unique <u>negative</u> impact on the following minority persons:					
	Indicate all that apply:					
	Women	Asians or Pacific Islanders				
	Persons with Disabilities	American Indians				
	African-Americans	Alaskan Natives				
	Hispanics					
3.	The proposed grant project policies or programs will have no disproportionate or unique impact on minor persons.					
progra		provide below the rationale for the existence of policies or impact on minority persons in this state. Further provide of the affected minority persons.				
	By checking this box, I hereby certify t form is true, complete, and accurate to	v				
Printe	d Name:	Title:				
Agenc	y Name:					

¹ "Minority person" are defined in SB 463 (2013 Regular Session) as women, persons with disabilities (as defined in ORS 174.107), African Americans, Hispanics, Asians, or Pacific Islanders, American Indians and Alaskan Natives.