2018 Recreational Trails Program/Trail Grant Projects (75 Projects)

Grant ID	Community	Agency	Title	Description	Award Amount	Match
RTP1880	Ashland	Department of Conservation and Recreation	Ashland State Park	This project will replace the narrow foot bridge over the spillway in Ashland State Park. This bridge (and trail) is part of the regional multi-use pathway project that is an area of focus for MAPC's Landlines project. Upgrading this bridge will improve access for park users by making it ABA compliant as well as wide enough for multiple users to cross the span at the same time.	\$36,500.00	\$9,125.00
RTP1841	Belchertown	New England Small Farm Institue, Inc.	Lampson Brook Farm Trail	The Lampson Brook Farm Trail project seeks to create a new %-mile, natural surface pedestrian trail, extending from a trailhead/parking area at the New England Small Farm Institute's Jackson Street Program Barn, running south to connect with an access road that serves the Town's Foley Field recreational area and the adjacent Lake Wallace trail loop. The Project proposes to refurbish an existing old farm road; to construct an interpretive Viewing Pavilion at the trail's high point, providing a strategic resting spot, a stunning view, and an opportunity to interpret the site's natural resources and cultural history; and to install two pre-fabricated, post & beam trailhead kiosks, each furnished with a trail map and other pertinent information for visitors to the site.	\$37,828.00	\$12,848.40
RTP1885	Belchertown	Mill Valley Snowmobile Club	Project - Improved Rail Road Trail Bed and a Small Equipment Purchase	This project represents an ongoing program to improve the trail base of the Rail Road Bed through "leveling" some broadly rutted sections of the trail by bringing in fill and machine leveling. It also includes a team of trail workers who will specifically perform the labor involved in the "final smoothing out" of some of these sections. This grant includes the purchase of a new brush cutting attachment and a trailer to store and transport the collection of hands tool necessary for these projects.	\$12,508.00	\$3,126.00
RTP1827	Berkshire County	Department of Conservation and Recreation	Beartown State Forest OHV Trails Rehabilitation Project	Using a multi-phased approach, the Beartown State Forest comprehensive OHV Trails Rehabilitation Project will design, permit, and then implement repairs and improvements to specific locations along multi-use trails throughout the state forest, including Beebe, Sky Peak and Wildcat Trails. This grant project includes funding for Phase 1, limited to evaluation/assessment, design and permitting costs for the various trail enhancement activities.	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00
RTP1837	Bernardston	Friends of the Charity Farm Lot	Charity Farm Lot Trail Creation and Improvement	This project seeks funding to continue recent efforts that will turn the 85-acre Charity Farm Lot (CFL) into a much-needed recreation destination for the community. Work, expected to be performed by the Student Conservation Association (SCA), will include restoration of eroded trails by installing crossings, stairs, and adjusting grades. To complement their efforts, volunteers from Friends of the CFL will continue to provide additional trail grooming and expansion, aligned with installation of cohesive signage.	\$17,000.00	\$4,250.00
RTP1856	Billerica	Town of Billerica	Yankee Doodle Bikeway	This project seeks funding for the design and construction of a 1700 linear foot shared-use path that will provide universal access to regional bike routes in the region.	\$100,000.00	\$125,000.00
RTP1877	Boston	Boston Transportation Department	Bussey Brook Meadow - Arboretum Road Green Link	This project will fund biddable plans, specs and estimates for a new, accessible gateway and path into the Arnold Arboretum for people who live in the Environmental Justice communities east of the commuter rail tracks. When constructed, this connection will transform a neglected and trash-strewn tunnel under the tracks into an inviting entrance, with signage and subtle lighting of the arch. Beyond the tunnel, a crushed stone path would connect to the Blackwell Path, the South Street Gate, and the rest of the 284-acre Arnold Arboretum.	\$91,200.00	\$22,800.00

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RTP1883	Boxborough	Blanchard Memorial School	Hager Land Trail Connection and Maintenance	The proposed Hager Land Trail Connection will provide a safe bridge over wetlands to connect the Blanchard Memorial Elementary School and the Hager Conservation Trails. The bridge will bring many benefits to the community, including but not limited to: a safe egress from the school in case of an emergency; safe passage between the school and conservation trails; increased collaboration between the community, school, and town conservation groups for trail education programs; and increased access to Boxborough's existing trail network. Lastly, the project will also include widening of current trails and the clearing of an old trail that has since overgrown for easier access of younger ages and classes of children.	\$48,315.00	\$11,890.00
RTP1890	Brewster	Town of Brewster	Drummer Boy Park Trail Enhancement	Drummer Boy Park is a multi-use park on historic Route 6A in Brewster that has seen significant degradation due to erosion. This project will convert the failing stone dust trail into pavement that will be accessible to impaired/handicapped users, as well as fixing the drainage issues that caused the original damage. It will also extend the trail network, improve the overlook area and improve the parking lot.	\$40,000.00	\$29,780.00
RTP1832	Cambridge	Massachusetts DCR	Charles River - Memorial Drive Pathways Phase 3 Engineering	The Charles River Reservation Pathway System is one of the most popular, used and valuable off-road pathways in the Commonwealth, being used by tens of thousands every day. DCR proposes to re-design, renovate and upgrade the Memorial Drive Pathway system from the BU Bridge to the Eliot Bridge, greatly enhancing safety and the path user experience. RTP funds would be used for the design and engineering necessary to access state Capital Construction funds.	\$179,999.00	\$200,149.00
RTP1835	Charlemont	Deerfield River Trails	Connecting the Deerfield River Trails Networks!	Deerfield River Trails (DiRT) is proposing to connect and improve the three extensive single-track trail networks in Charlemont and Hawley with new trail connections that will allow riders and other trail users to enjoy a multi-day, variable-difficulty trail experience in the Charlemont/Hawley area. DiRT will engage with stakeholders, specifically Youth Corps such as Student Conservation Association, Appalachian Mountain Club, and/or AmeriCorps in constructing these professionally-designed trails.	\$60,020.00	\$15,020.00
RTP18100	Chatham	Friends of Monomoy National Wildlife Refuge	Coastal National Wildlife Refuge Access and Interpretation	Working closely with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, this grant will be used to upgrade and improve the popular Boardwalk Trail's overlook/observation areas according to accessibility guidelines, allowing wheelchair users access to these areas and expanded opportunities for wildlife observation and photography. Improvements include re-grading and re-surfacing two popular overlook/observation areas, and replacement of four outdated, faded, and aging interpretive panels along the Boardwalk Trail's popular overlook areas.	\$10,640.00	\$5,150.00
RTP1807	Chesire	Department of Conservation and Recreation	Massachusetts' Appalachian Trail Ridge Runner Program	This project will fund a seasonal Appalachian Trail Ridge Runner who will work exclusively on the National Scenic Appalachian Trail (AT) in Massachusetts. The AT Ridge Runner provides education and information to trail visitors, and works closely with numerous volunteers that help maintain the trail and associated overnight facilities. The AT Ridge Runner also helps to monitor trail conditions, record trail use and respond to emergencies as needed.	\$11,699.20	\$14,339.20
RTP1851	Chesterfield	Chesterfield - 4 - Seasons	Trail Maintenance and Grooming	This project will allow for the maintainenance of approximately 30 miles of multi-use trails through the town of Chesterfield, MA. During snow season these trails take approximately 90-135 hours a week to maintain a flat, safe surface for all to enjoy. With grant funds, the club will update 2 older, discontinued 1978 GRIZZLY utility snowmobilesand grooming drags with two Arctic Cat BearCat Groomer Specials, attachable drags and accompanying storage space.	\$50,000.00	\$12,500.00

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RTP1836	Colrain	Colrain Sno-Drifters	Eco-Friendly Replacement	The Colrain Sno-Drifters Snowmobile Club is seeking to replace an older grooming machine with a new, more environmentally friendly model. Currently, the club's 2002 Ski-Doo Skandic is in disrepair and the process of repairing this machine would be cost prohibitive when compared to purchasing a new, environmentally friendly 2018 Arctic Bearcat snowmobile. The new equipment will allow the club to reduce its carbon footprint in the pristine areas we maintain and invest more resources towards trail upkeep.	\$16,872.94	\$4,500.00
RTP1809	Conway	Conway Snowmobile Club, Inc.	Trail Maintenance Equipment	The Trail Maintenance Equipment project will provide equipment for maintaining trails both in summer and winter as well as additional secure storage for the equipment when not in use. The Conway Snowmobile Club, Inc. is requesting funding to replace older, outdated, unreliable, and inefficient equipment in order to maintain the club's 120 miles of snowmobile trails. The trails connect to four bordering towns and encompass the Conway State Forest, South River State Forest, town lands, and private lands.	\$57,016.00	\$14,254.00
RTP18101	Dennis	Town of Dennis	Saftey Improvement - Cape Cod Rail Trail Crossing of South Gages Way	This project will fund bicycle and pedestrian safety improvements at Cape Cod Rail Trail's crossing at South Gages Road in Dennis, MA. The improvements will provide increased sight distance at the crossing and pedestrian activated beacons to alert drivers of crossing foottraffic.	\$99,105.00	\$24,800.00
RTP18117	East Otis	Department of Conservation and Recreation	Skid Steer	This project will fund the purchase of a skid steer to facilitate trail maintenance and grooming activities throughout the DCR's Tolland Complex. This work will help to facilitate various recreational activities, from snowmobiling to hiking and mountain biking.	\$63,646.00	\$30,294.80
RTP1886	Everett	City of Everett	Northern Strand Community Trail Extension	This project seeks to extend the Northern Strand Community Path from its current terminus at West Street in Everett to Mystic View Park on the banks of the Mystic River. This extension will enable future connections to the Mystic River Harborwalk and Mystic River Pedestrian Bridge. Funds from this grant will be used to construct boardwalks where the path crosses wetland areas.	\$100,000.00	\$1,034,000.00
RTP1846	Fitchburg	City of Fitchburg - Department of Public Works	Rollstone Hill Trail Project	The Rollstone Hill Trail Project will construct a 2-mile, self-guided interpretive trail with labor provided by the City, the Student Conservation Association and volunteers. The Rollstone Hill Trail will include a sidewalk trail from the Rollstone Boulder at the Upper Common to the Base of Rollstone Hill, a footpath to the summit, a loop trail around Rollstone Hill, two trailheads and a parking area. The trail will create a unique cultural and recreational experience focusing on the City's history, the spent quarry, and the 360° views from the summit of Rollstone Hill.	\$100,000.00	\$46,637.00
RTP1822	Foxboro	Department of Conservation and Recreation	F. Gilbert Hills State Forest Off-Highway Vehicle Trail Repairs	This project seeks funding for trail improvements to the High Rock trail network at F. Gilbert Hills State Forest. This project will add to previous efforts to protect wetland and soil resources, repair poor trail conditions, and enhance the experience of off-highway motorcycle users in particular, as well as other passive recreational users at F. Gilbert Hills State Forest. A new parking area will also be constructed for additional and improved access to the trail network.	\$20,000.00	\$5,943.96

RTP1859	Framingham	City of Framingham	Framingham Parks Winter Trails Program	This project includes the purchase of an ATV, along with blades and tracks as attachments which will enable the Framingham Parks, Recreation, & Cultural Affairs Division to create and maintain cross-country skiing and snow shoeing trails at the 65+ acre Cushing Memorial Park and additional locations. This work will encourage more use of park trails during the winter months, helping to attract more users and visitors to the City for winter recreational trail opportunities. In addition, this work will allow the Framingham Recreation Department to potentially schedule winter programming for these activities at park locations.	\$29,202.00	\$7,301.00
RTP1833	Franklin County	Franklin Regional Council of Governments	Mahican - Mohawk Trail Improvement Project	The Mahican-Mohawk is a recreational hiking trail that roughly follows the original Native American footpath from Deerfield to Williamstown. This project will design a trail connection from an existing trailhead and parking area on Route 2 to the village of Shelburne Falls and complete needed maintenance on existing segments of the trail. Additional tasks will include facilitating trail maintenance days, conducting outreach to engage new volunteers to assist with trail maintenance and stewardship work, and printing a trail map/guide as part of this collaborative project of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG), Franklin Land Trust (FLT), and the Student Conservation Association (SCA).	\$52,000.00	\$22,660.00
RTP1843	Franklin Cty.	Bernardston-Gill- Leyden Snowmobile Club	2018 Recreational Trails Program	This project involves the purchase of a 2018 Arctic Cat Bearcat and drag. With the popularity ofsnowmobiling and high usage of the trail network, this club is in need of newer, more reliable grooming equipment.	\$21,002.93	\$5,250.73
RTP1888	Gloucester	City of Gloucester	Gloucester Watershed & Open Space Public Access Upgrades	The Gloucester Department of Public Works will support recreation area access in order to promote responsible recreation and minimize risks to public water quality. Funds for this project would be utilized to improve trail, facilities and signage in three public access recreation areas.	\$49,500.00	\$73,383.00
RTP1816	Great Barrington	Great Barrington Land Conservancy	Riverfront Trail (Brookside Road Segment)	The Riverfront Trail will be a 1.25-mile-long trail that follows the Housatonic River in Great Barrington and will provide opportunities for walking and other outdoor activities. Funding will be used for the Brookside Road segment which includes 925 feet of Treadway, a 540-foot spur trail, and special features. The proposed trail is an important new section in Great Barrington's town-wide trail system and will provide access between the River Walk and Central Loop Trail.	\$40,102.00	\$169,035.00
RTP1826	Hawley	Buckland Riders, Inc.	Buckland Riders Bridge Replacement	This project proposes to rebuild two existing bridges with wider, stronger, and more environmentally friendly, engineer certified bridges. The replacement of these bridges will allow for the reopening of a currently closed section of a main corridor trail (closed since Hurricane Irene) and will enhance the usability and ease of maintenance of trails used for recreational purposes for snowmobilers, hikers, horseback riders, cross-country skiers, bicyclists, and other outdoor recreational enthusiasts. In addition these bridges will provide access to remote areas in the event of an emergency in all seasons, and allow trails to be groomed and accessible for multi-recreational use in the winter providing enhanced accessibility, use and safety for trail users.	\$37,260.00	\$15,312.00
RTP1805	Holden	Wachusetts Greenway	Mass Central Rail Trail	This project involves both constructing and renovating sections of the Mass Central Rail Trail (MCRT). Construction will occur in West Boylston, and will extend the MCRT 0.83 miles, enabling a connection to Sterling. Three trail sections will be renovated: one in West Boylston to improve a degraded section of trail, and the other two in Holden to upgrade trail where the layout exceeds a 5% grade.	\$100,000.00	\$61,728.00

RTP1894	lpswich	The Ipswich River Watershed Association	The Ipswich River Water Trail	The Ipswich River is a historically popular recreation corridor due to its proximity to a large amount of people, its ease of navigation and its natural beauty. Use of the river for recreation has declined in recent years, causing Ipswich River Watershed Association to launch this project to establish, market and maintain a 45-mile Ipswich River Water Trail. The project will establish landings, create and refurbish information kiosks, create and maintain a trail website, create a print and electronic water guide, create and host a virtual guided trail tour, on the water GPS navigation system and establish a youth stewardship corps.	\$23,333.00	\$15,260.00
RTP18110	Lancaster	SnowRiders of the Nashaway	Equipment for Seasonal Maintenance and Winter Grooming	This application is specifically designed for the SnowRiders of the Nashaway (SROTN) to begin to build their power equipment/tool program, which is currently carried out using volunteer and member donated/leased machinery. SROTN is planning construction projects in remote areas of our growing trail network that will require this equipment, as well as its year-round use in general maintaining and winter grooming activities.	\$27,605.00	\$7,000.00
RTP18111	Lancaster	Town of Lancaster	Pellechia Conservation Area Accessible Canoe and Kayak Launch	Funding for this project will allow Lancaster to construct an accessible parking area, canoe and kayak boat launch, and ramp system to the blue trail on the North Nashua River. A successful project would create an integrated blue trail and green way uniting several communities along the Nashua, provide greater public visibility to the Nashua River as a recreational resource, and provide unique access to the river for those that are mobility-challenged.	\$20,000.00	\$5,009.00
RTP1869	Lynnfield	The Friends of the Lynnfield Rail Trail	Wakefield Lynnfield Rail Trail	The Wakefield Lynnfield Rail Trail project will convert the former MBTA abandoned railbed to an ABA-standards accessible Rail Trail. The Town of Lynnfield voted to lease the railbed from MBTA for \$1 to provide a 2.5 mile linear path which connects to Wakefield's 1.9 mile path, for a total of 4.4 miles of greenways available for non-motorized use including walking, strolling, running, and biking.	\$100,000.00	\$25,000.00
RTP1876	Marblehead	Town of Marblehead	Marblehead Rail Trail	The Town of Marblehead is seeking to make priority improvements on two former railroad right of way branches with drainage and surface improvements. The intention of the proposed improvements is to provide a safe, sustainable, ABA compliant pedestrian/bicycle access along these ways. This project is to address the areas of the trail needing the most attention.	\$38,400.00	\$10,549.00
RTP18124	Medfield	Town of Medfield	Medfield Rail Trail	The Medfield Rail Trail is a proposed shared-use trail following the route of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) rail bed in Medfield, spanning approximately 1.3 miles. The Trail will connect residents through the Town by biking, walking, jogging, cross-country skiing, and horseback riding. It will provide a direct connection to the Bay Circuit Trail, an extensive regional trail system as well as the access to the Norfolk Hunt Club's regional trail network.	\$100,000.00	\$260,100.00
RTP1865	Medford	City of Medford	Riverbend Park Trail Paving	Riverbend Park is a city-owned section on the Mystic River Reservation which has a 10 mile network of paved and stabilized trails frequently used for dog walking, nature walks, and bicycling. The DCR is working to finish the missing links in the network, particularly including the Clippership Connector which is intended to connect to the paved network in Riverbend Park. This request is to pave an existing, but unpaved, portion of the trails in Riverbend Park which anticipates seeing a significant increase in use, and to help fund the construction of the portion of the Clippership Connector that will be on City owned-land.	\$50,000.00	\$100,000.00
RTP1882	Methuen	Methuen Rail Trail Alliance	Trail Maintenance - Grass Mowing Power Equipment	This project will fund the purchase of a mowing equipment to maintain 2.4 miles of the Methuen Rail Trail, upgrading current equipment that is inefficient and time-consuming to use.	\$2,494.00	\$624.00

RTP18125	Metrowest	Massachusetts Water Resource Agency	MWRA Multi- Community Aqueduct Trails	This project will allow for the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) to expand and improve the visitor experience along back-up Aqueduct trails in the towns of Natick, Needham, Northborough, Southborough, Wayland, Wellesley, Weston, and the City of Framingham. MWRA seeks funding to install granite markers for improved wayfinding, to purchase a new tractor to add necessary resources to the maintenance fleet and to hire an additional full-time grounds person dedicated to caring for the Aqueducts. This will increase the number of times the Aqueducts can be mowed, helping to cut back the growth of poison ivy and overgrown grassy areas that have restricted access.	\$100,000.00	\$86,250.07
RTP1897	Montague	Montague Planning and Conservation Department	Millers River Paddlers Access and Accessible Riverfront Trail	The Millers River Paddlers Access and Accessible Riverfront Trail will provide a public access point for paddlers on the lower section of the Millers River while establishing a connection between the village of Millers Falls and the river. A 160 foot long gravel ramp will be reestablished, a staging area will be cleared, and a short ¼ mile universally accessible loop trail will be installed along the riverfront on an overgrown municipal parcel. The paddlers access is strategically located between two other important public access points on the river: the Erving Riverside Park and Cabot Camp at the Connecticut River Confluence.	\$17,900.00	\$4,480.00
RTP1867	New Bedford	Buzzards Bay Coalition	Mattapoisett River Reserve Multi-Town Trails Network	The Buzzards Bay Coalition owns 220 acres of contiguous conservation land that includes frontage on Tripp's Mill Brook and retired cranberry bogs surrounded by an additional 383 acres of contiguous conservation land extending across three towns. Ecological restoration is planned for 2019 to improve fish passage and convert the retired bogs into restored wetlands. In conjunction with the restoration, this project is proposing to maintain and enhance the site's trails with pedestrian bridges, boardwalk, bog boards and signage to serve as trail linkages for public use throughout the restored site	\$88,024.00	\$17,836.00
RTP18120	Newburyport	Parker River Clean Water Association	Handicap-Accessibility for the Gloria Braunhardt Bike/Pedestrian Trail	This project will upgrade a bike/pedestrian trail that fulfills Federal Highway Standards under three categories: handicap-accessibility, curb & roadbed quality and installing safety measures & informational signage via two kiosks.	\$40,946.14	\$13,648.72
RTP1874	Newton	Riverside Greenway Working Group	Pony-truss Trail Restoration, Pigeon Hill Trail and Riverside Depot Tunnel	The Riverside Greenway Working Group seeks to extend its vision, from the preliminary work on the Two-Bridges Trail to develop a greenway from the terminus of the Charles River / Blue Heron Path at Lyons Field in Auburndale, MA to the "Trestle" footbridge in Newton Lower Falls, by funding two projects. The first is the restoration of the Pony-truss Trail, a foot trail that has accessed Riverside Park since the late 1800's, and provides continuity along the south side of the Charles River to Riverside MBTA station. The second is to survey and develop 25% design for the Pigeon Hill Trail and Riverside Depot Tunnel Access, as part of the accessible component of the greenway to reach Commonwealth Ave at the Historic Newton Boathouse.	\$91,419.00	\$22,875.00
RTP1854	North Easton	NEMBA - Southeast Massachusetts Chapter	Borderland State Park Bridge Replacement	This project will replace a deteriorating bridge on "Bob's Trails" located at Borderland State Park, in North Easton MA. The bridge will be reconstructed through a DCR/NEMBA partnership utilizing available in-kind labor and equipment.	\$3,241.60	\$2,869.80

RTP1839	Northampton	City of Northampton	MassCentral Rail Trail Repairs and Maintenance	This project will conduct needed repairs, rehabilitation and maintenance to sections of the regionally-significant MassCentral Trail extending from Union Station in downtown Northampton, approximately four miles northwest to the intersection of Bridge Road at the Look Park Roundabout. RTP funds, in conjunction with matching City funds, will allow necessary drainage and pavement repairs to approximately ¼ mile of the most deteriorated sections of trail.	\$100,000.00	\$30,000.00
RTP1825	Oakham	New England Mountain Bike Association - Wachusett	Oakham Singletrack Construction Project	Wachusett NEMBA plans to create the first phase of what is envisioned to be a 10-12 mile single-track trail system in Central Massachusetts' Oakham State Forest that will include a first phase of approximately 5 miles of trail, a parking lot, and all necessary boardwalks. The goal will be to create a shared use non-motorized trail system that is optimized for mountain biking, trail running, snowshoeing and walking.	\$50,000.00	\$19,422.00
RTP1889	Peabody	City of Peabody	Peabody Independence Greenway Extension Project: Phase II	The City of Peabody proposes to construct the 1.4 mile Phase II bikeway segment of the Independence Greenway connecting the North Shore Mall to downtown Peabody, making the greenway 8 miles in total. The Independence Greenway is a heavily used ABA compliant greenway that sees a diverse group of trail users. The greenway connects to several regional trails and proposed greenways, specifically, Border to Boston Trail, Essex Railroad Rail Trail, and Salem-Lowell Rail Trail.	\$100,000.00	\$262,955.00
RTP1844	Pelham	Kestrel Land Trust	Buffam Brook Community Forest	In 2017, Kestrel in partnership with the Town of Pelham's Conservation Commission, acquired 160 acres to create the Town's first Community Forest with funding from the US Forest Service Grant, and Community Preservation Act Funds. Now that the land is protected, we are preparing to build trailheads, parking lots, and trails to make this a welcoming place that is utilized by the community for recreational and education purposes.	\$35,000.00	\$12,171.00
RTP1848	Pembroke	Town of Pembroke Conservation Commission	Indian Head River Greenway Trail System	The Pembroke Conservation Commission, as part of an Indian Head River Conservation Lands Coalition is seeking funding to improve the Indian Head River (IHR) trail and connect the IHR trail with two adjacent trail systems, the Iron Mine Brook trail system, and the Tucker preserve thereby establishing over 6 miles of hiking trails across 325 acres of protected conservation lands. The funding will assist in providing adequate and consistent trail maintenance, trail marking, amenity improvements, and interpretive kiosks/signage for the public to safely enjoy the historic and ecologically significant IHR and surrounding conservation land.	\$41,487.00	\$18,676.00
RTP18126	Phillipston	Town of Phillipston	Phillipston Town Park Phase 3 - Loop Trail	This project will implement phase 3 of the Town Park Development Project via the design and construction of a ½- mile long accessible loop trail. The project is located within the only public park in Phillipston and is adjacent to the town common, community church, library, town hall, police station, and elementary school. The new accessible trail will provide year round access for recreational activities including walking, birding, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, and environmental education to the students.	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
RTP18104	Pittsfield	Greenagers - City of Pittsfield	Wild Acres Accessible Trail Project	Greenagers will build a 0.25-mile trail that complies with current federal accessible trails standards. The Wild Acres Accessible Trail will exhibit a gentle grade, a width of three feet and be constructed as a firm and stable surface of crushed stone. Greenagers will also build a 15'x30' viewing platform at the end of the trail.	\$17,404.00	\$17,500.00

RTP1806	Pittsfield	Berkshire Snow Seekers Snowmobile Club, Inc.	BSS Trail Maintenance Equipment	Our organization will purchase a late model lightly used or new environmentally friendly (low noise, low emissions, low fuel usage, rubber tracked) medium sized excavator to be utilized on existing/approved snowmobile trails in Pittsfield State Forest (70 miles) and October Mountain State Forest (100 miles). The excavator will be used to restore and maintain trails by removing rocks, installing water bars, and maintaining water bars under the direction of regional and local DCR Trail Personnel.	\$39,950.00	\$9,987.50
RTP1813	Pittsfield	Department of Conservation and Recreation	Snow Groomer	This project will support snow grooming at October Mt. State Forest, Pittsfield State, and Beartown State Forest through the procurement of a snow groomer. The DCR is in need of grooming equipment to maintain DCR trails in the West Region. The DCR recently had to retire two of three snow groomers due to mechanical and safety issues which has made it difficult for the DCR to maintain their multiple trails and locations.	\$177,306.00	\$44,327.00
RTP1852	Pittsfield	Department of Conservation and Recreation	Pittsfield State Forest - Skyline Trail Repair Project	Beginning in 2008, DCR launched a program to begin to design, permit, repair, and restore the length of the Skyline Trail and re-develop two parking areas for OHV/Snowmobile access. To date, with a combination of Recreational Trails Program, in-house staff, and OHV funds DCR has been able to complete segments 1-4 of this project. With the assistance of this grant and other funding DCR will complete the last segments and improve the parking areas at both ends of the Skyline Trail.	\$200,000.00	\$100,000.00
RTP1811	Plymouth	Town of Plymouth	Plymouth Conservation Property Trail Enhancement	The goal of this grant will be to provide enhancements to the Town of Plymouth's Conservation Trail System, as part of the Town's objective of promoting recreational usage and linkage between the existing and future open space lands. Funds will be used to purchase building materials for three pedestrian bridges and other associated trail maintenance hand equipment to more effectively reroute the trail and connect to the bridges.	\$3,165.62	\$4,390.40
RTP1838	Princeton	Department of Conservation and Recreation	Wachusett Mountain State Reservation Pine Hill Trail Restoration Project	Pine Hill Trail is one of, if not, the most heavily used trail on Wachusett Mountain. This project would continue the work done to create erosion and drainage control measures on the steep slope, to provide and maintain a defined treadway to protect surrounding vegetation, and to stabilize and add to existing stone features.	\$64,000.00	\$33,898.00
RTP1899	Reading	Town of Reading Trails Committee	Aberjona River Headwaters Trail	The 850' Aberjona River Headwaters Trail will connect three Reading neighborhoods in the underserved center of town. The trail will follow a sewer easement through wetlands surrounding the Aberjona River and will include building two bridges, a boardwalk, and a bog bridge. Neighborhood connectivity and raising awareness of the Aberjona River, an important tributary to the Mystic River, are the primary goals of the project.	\$11,640.00	\$20,124.00
RTP1817	Rockland	Town of Rockland	Town of Rockland Recreational Rail Trail	Utilizing FY16 & FY17 DCR Trail Grant funding, the Town(s) of Rockland & Abington have been able to clear, grade, and pave 9,986 linear feet of the former Hanover Branch Rail Line from Liberty Street in Rockland through to Monroe Street in North Abington. An FY18 award will enable the Town of Rockland to clear, grade, and pave another 3,450 linear feet of the former rail line by improving the section that runs to the Hanover Town line. Project funds will also be used to construct a parking area abutting the trail and to regrade the side slope on sections of the existing trail for safety and accessibility.	\$50,000.00	\$64,322.00
RTP1857	Rutland	Coldbrook Snowmobile Club	Groomer Repairs	In the mid-2000's Coldbrook was awarded funds to purchase a groomer through an RTP grant. Over the years, the equipment has become in desperate need of repairs. This grant will purchase the critical parts to keep the machine running into the future.	\$14,936.00	\$4,500.00

RTP1828	Sandisfield	Department of Conservation and Recreation	Cookson State Forest Trails Improvement Project	This project will improve access to approximately 12 miles of existing trail offered at Cookson State Forest in the towns of New Marlborough and Sandisfield, Massachusetts. Access will be improved along Norfolk Road by performing site work at an existing log landing with leveling, adding gravel material, tree work, signage, kiosk, orientation map, and covering an open stone well. Additionally, an existing log road will be improved with a stone and timber bridge connecting the parking area to the trail system with new trail signage and trail markers placed though the entirety of the facility trail system.	\$15,000.00	\$4,820.00
RTP1875	Sandwich	Town of Sandwich	Service Road Shared Use Path (Cape Cod Rail Trail Extension)	This project will provide engineering design of a 5.0-mile link of the Cape Cod Rail Trail through Sandwich, completing a critical segment of a local, regional, and state goal to connect all Cape Towns with the trail system. This segment is part of Sandwich's plan to provide a safe, scenic, and convenient route into Sandwich Village and ultimately to the Cape Cod Canal Bikeway. The Shared-Use-Path will accommodate multiple users and expand both recreational and economic opportunities for the entire Cape Cod Region.	\$100,000.00	\$946,986.00
RTP1812	Saugus	Town of Saugus	Northern Strand Community Trail Crossing Improvements	This project seeks the implementation of reconfigured crosswalks, high visibility crosswalks, ADA compliant rumble pads for curb cuts, and bollards and/or gates where appropriate at six trail crossings on the 2.5-mile Northern Strand Community Trail that runs through the Town of Saugus.	\$89,113.00	\$22,278.25
RTP1810	Savoy	Savoy Kanary Kats Snowmobile Club Inc.	Purchase of Trail Maintenance Equipment	This project includes the purchase of a current year Kubota RTV with equipment/material transport trailer, a new Ski Doo snowmobile utility/grooming sled, as well as other necessary trail equipment to replace aging and failing equipment so that the club can continue to provide trail maintenance and grooming to the 140 miles of trails under its jurisdiction.	\$48,963.00	\$23,306.40
RTP1881	Southwick	Appalachian Mountain Club	Accessible Trail Development on the New England National Scenic Trail	Appalachian Mountain Club seeks to develop a portion of the New England National Scenic Trail at the Rising Corner Road Trailhead in Southwick as an accessible trail. This would build upon work done by AMC, the Pioneer Valley Hiking Club, and the Town of Southwick in 2016 when an accessible floating boardwalk was installed. AMC proposes to create a firm and stable parking area and trail leading to the boardwalk, and reduce the grade to 5% where necessary, using switchbacks.	\$31,577.00	\$12,071.00
RTP1847	Statewide	SCA Massachusetts AmeriCorps	SCA Massachusetts AmeriCorps Equipment Development Program	Members of the SCA Massachusetts AmeriCorps program serve public lands from Martha's Vineyard to the Berkshires, serving in small teams to complete more than 40 conservation projects per year throughout the Commonwealth. Many of these projects utilize dimensional lumber in the construction of bridges, boardwalks and steps, in turn requiring the use of hand-operated, corded with a generator, or cordless power tools. This grant requests money for cordless power tools to facilitate the needs of remote-carpentry-based projects requested by DCR, Non-Profit Trails Organizations, or Town and Municipal Trail divisions without the needed reliance on generators.	\$5,544.43	\$1,436.16
RTP18123	Stoneham	Friends of the Middlesex Fells Reservation	Spot Pond Archeological District Rehabilitation	Partnering with DCR park management and the greater community, this project will rehabilitate Spot Pond Archaeological District in the Middlesex Fells Reservation. Improvements include updating trails, structures, and accompanying interpretive materials. Much of the district is made up of Virginia Wood which was the first gift of privately-owned property for public use and conservation purposes in the country and became a land trust model for the nation.	\$25,838.00	\$24,123.00

RTP1896	Sudbury	Town of Sudbury	Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Acquisition	The Town of Sudbury seeks \$100,000 to fund the purchase of and trail creation on an approximately ¼ mile section of the northern extent of the CSX railroad right-of-way in Sudbury. The trail will be part of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT), a 20-mile rail trail spanning from Chelmsford to Sudbury. Prior to construction of the Sudbury section of the BFRT and as soon as the CSX purchase occurs, the Town of Sudbury is committed to creating an unpaved recreational trail on this section of trail.	\$100,000.00	\$44,500.00
RTP1870	Topsfield	Topsfield Rail Trail Committee	Topsfield Linear Common Recreational Trail Crossing Safety Enhancements	This project involves purchasing and installing trail user activated crosswalk lights in two locations. These advanced early warning illuminated and non-illuminated signs for automobiles approaching the trail crosswalk will allow for increased safety in a particularly busy intersection of trail and road.	\$20,673.00	\$5,168.00
RTP1868	Uxbridge	Friends of Scenic Chocolog Road Inc.	Blue Frog Conservation Area	This grant will help fund the construction of a new, non-motorized public recreational trail on a 59 acre parcel of land along Scenic Chocolog Road in Uxbridge. The trail network will be open for use by hikers, trail runners, cross-country skiers, mountain bikers, and equestrians and have a 20 car parking lot accessible from the corner of Chocolog Road and the newly constructed Turner Farmer Road. The Blue Frog Conservation Area will connect to the Southern New England Trunkline Trail (SNETT) providing a much-needed access point for equestrians and ample parking for horse trailers.	\$46,500.00	\$29,137.00
RTP1823	Ware	East Quabbin Land Trust, Inc.	Mass Central Rail Trail Repairs and Accessible Trail Loop, Ware MA	The East Quabbin Land Trust proposes to build out a ½ mile segment of the Mass Central Rail Trail in Ware that is under its ownership, and provide access to the bank of the Ware River for visitors of all physical abilities to enjoy the serene natural river environment. Accessible parking on Church Street and a well-designed pedestrian crossing are integral components for this grant request, which is a first step in building 3+ miles of the Mass Central Rail Trail in the northern part of Ware.	\$44,000.00	\$12,320.00
RTP1895	Wareham	Town of Wareham	Douglas S. Westgate Conservation Area Observation Deck	This project at the Douglas S. Westgate Conservation Area consists of removing a cranberry bog pump house structure along the Weweantic River and replacing it with the construction of an observation/sitting deck. The deck will enhance various visitors' experience at the conservation area by allowing for a place to enjoy close up views of the river while sitting and resting, where the view was previously hindered by the pump house. The project will also upgrade and improve welcoming and directional signage.	\$3,100.00	\$1,933.00
RTP18119	Westborough	Town of Westborough	Boston Worcester Air Line Trail	This project will construct 2/3 mile of the multi-use Boston Worcester Air Line Trail (BWALT) in Westborough, part of a proposed 18-mile multi-use trail from Framingham to Worcester located parallel to Route 9. This section requires installing a bridge over the Assabet River, excavation, grading, surfacing and signage that will accommodate walkers, bicyclists and other non-motorized users. The trail will also provide access to a future canoe launch and river viewing area. This section of the BWALT is also part of the Charm Bracelet Trail Network and closes one of the last major gaps in a 28.5 mile hiking trail around town.	\$49,950.00	\$56,994.00
RTP1873	Weston	Town of Weston - Rail Trail Advisory Committee	Mass Central Rail Trail - Structural Necessities and Amenities, Weston	This project will make the MCRT-W more appealing and accessible to users while addressing abutter concerns around privacy. To do this, it will identify or create nearby parking, promote best routes to and from the local business hub, and install bike racks, benches and plantings where necessary for gathering/rest areas, to encourage access to the existing network of forest and conservation trails with the MCRT-W.	\$50,000.00	\$229,600.00

RTP1858	Weymouth	Town of Weymouth	Back River Trail Connection at Great Esker Park	This project will enhance public access to shared natural resources for all residents by linking the Back River's parks and trails as one destination with a common thematic identity for regional audiences, to educate the public and encourage stewardship of the Back River.	\$50,000.00	\$122,100.00
RTP1818	Williamstown	ISchool Nordic Ski	MG Community Nordic Ski Trails	The Mt. Greylock Nordic Team is proud to be able to provide the school and local community with a free Nordic "touring center", a beautiful and unique trail network that has the view of Mt. Greylock as its backdrop. This project will allow for the Team to update and maintain the current trail network and grooming equipment and to provide more sophisticated, reliable grooming during the winter season.	\$6,780.00	\$1,695.00
RTP1871	Winthrop	Town of Winthron	Belle Isle Marsh Walkway and Marine Ecology Park Signage Project	The Town of Winthrop is looking to augment the on-going development of Belle Isle Marsh Walkway and Marine Ecology Park with wayfinding and interpretive signage. The development of this new walkway was significantly assisted by \$1.2 million in construction funding from the Seaport Economic Council and town funds and the trail is expected to be completed and opened to the public in June 2018. However, the costs of the trail/boardwalk construction left no funding for interpretive or wayfinding signage that will help complete the trail experience.	\$7,260.00	\$2,016.00
RTP1866	Worcester	•	Elm Park / Newton Hill Nordic Ski Track	This project will create a free, public-access Nordic (cross-country) ski track in Worcester's historic Elm Park and adjoining Newton Hill. It will include beginner, intermediate, and advance terrain and support classic and skate skiing as well as snowshoeing and fat tire mountain biking.	\$30,575.00	\$7,726.00