

# Department of Conservation and Recreation Greenways and Trails Program

## 2013 Recreational Trails Grants Awards

### *Diverse / Multi-Use Category*

#### **Wachusett Greenways Mass Central Rail Trail**

This project will improve sections of the Mass Central Rail Trail in Rutland, Holden and Sterling. Four trail sections will be upgraded and repaired due to impacts of slope and other natural conditions.

*Grant Award*                      \$50,000.00

*Match*                                \$19,137.00

#### **The Trustees of Reservations Improved Statewide Mapping**

This project will enable TTOR to make significant progress in their effort to meet baseline standards for mapping services to ensure a quality visitor experience on their properties. Deteriorating mapping infrastructure at 48 properties will be renewed and/or replaced including entrance kiosks, poster maps and paper maps for individual use.

*Grant Award*                      \$32,535.00

*Match*                                \$54,249.00

#### **Town of Ware Ware River Valley Greenway Trail Bridges**

This project will install two bridges over small streams along a town-owned right of way. Grading along the trail, particularly as approaching the bridges, will be included. This work will allow for the use of the 1.7 mile section of the Ware River Valley Greenway Trail, connecting commercial services, the senior center and access to other public open lands.

*Grant Award*                      \$50,000.00

*Match*                                \$15,332.00

#### **Town of Topsfield Topsfield Linear Common**

This project will involve several tasks including construction of a handicap accessible ramp and the design and structural repairs to a bridge to continue to develop and improve the existing 2-mile long Topsfield Linear Common Rail Trail.

*Grant Award*                      \$49,000.00

*Match*                                \$12,250.00

#### **Bike to the Sea Northern Strand Phase II and Phase III**

This project involves the construction of a 1-mile long segment of the Northern Strand Community Trail through

North Revere that lies between trail segments recently completed in Saugus and Malden. In addition, benches and kiosks will be installed along the Saugus section of the trail. The completion of this work will create a continuous 7.5-mile stretch of trail.

*Grant Award* \$116,202.00

*Match* \$58,665.00

**City of Newburyport  
Clipper City Rail Trail, Phase II Enhancement Project**

This project will significantly improve the character, appearance and trail user experience of the new 1.5 mile section of the Clipper City Rail Trail in Newburyport. The enhancements will include commissioning, purchasing and installing a number of public sculptures and murals, as well as associated cost of bronze identifying plaques, concrete bases, transportation and installation.

*Grant Award* \$50,000.00

*Match* \$120,000.00

**Bay State Trail Riders Association  
Southern New England Trunkline Trail (SNETT) Improvement and Trail wide Development Strategy**

This project will make site-specific improvements, including clearing and re-grading of trail surface, on the SNETT in Douglas. This project will also facilitate the creation of a trail wide partnership strategy for realizing full recreational potential of the trail by identifying a comprehensive program of trail improvements, structured to emphasize a partnership approach by integrating the participation of all SNETT trail partners.

*Grant Award* \$22,570.00

*Match* \$9,302.00

***Motorized Category***

**Ware River Snowmobile Club  
Kubota Upgrade**

In 2007, the club was awarded funding towards purchasing a Kubota groomer. The club will complete that project by purchasing a turbo kit and a drag as a part of this grant project. This will improve efficiency and long-term life of the machinery. As match, the club will perform trail maintenance on Ware conservation land and partner with the East Quabbin Land Trust to maintain trails in the town of Hardwick.

*Grant Award* \$10,770.00

*Match* \$2,818.00

**Coldbrook Snowmobile Club  
Groomer Replacement**

This project will purchase a Kubota UTV to replace a 40-year-old grooming machine that is no longer operable. The new groomer will serve the trails in Rutland State Park and Oakham State Forest.

*Grant Award* \$24,460.00

*Match* \$6,384.00

**Florida Mountaineers Snowmobile Club  
Equipment Purchase and Trail Maintenance and Reroute Project**

This project will maintain usage and increased safety of the trail system within the community of Florida, including Florida, Savoy and Monroe State Forests. The project includes the purchase of a groomer machine, trail maintenance of existing trails and a trail reroute.

*Grant Award*                   \$32,000.00

*Match*                           \$8,000.00

**Indian Head Snowmobile Club  
Bringing Back Our Trails**

This project will provide the needed volunteers to clear and remove dangerous debris caused by various extreme weather events at Kenneth M. Dubuque State Forest and to purchase a Kubota RTV 1100 Groomer to provide well maintained trails for use of the general public.

*Grant Award*                   \$27,200.00

*Match*                           \$5,440.00

**Chesterfield Four Seasons Club, Inc.  
New Snowmobile Trail Groomer**

This project will install a new kiosk in the club parking lot with a large trail map and listing of all groups that use the trails in the system. General trail grooming and maintenance will be performed with an updated, environmentally-friendly trail grooming machine.

*Grant Award*                   \$18,900.00

*Match*                           \$4,460.00

**Savoy Canary Kats Snowmobile Club  
Snowmobile Trail Improvements Project**

This project will include the purchase of a track mounted brush mower to improve trail maintenance efficiency at Hawley, Savoy, Windsor and Plainfield State Forests. The purchase and installation of four access gates will protect the winter use trails from damage and erosion due to unauthorized use of OHV's during the off season and to deter illegal dumping of trash.

*Grant Award*                   \$43,000.00

*Match*                           \$11,870.00

**Worthington Snowmobile Club  
Worthington Snowmobile Club Kubota Tractor Project**

This project will purchase a Kubota tractor which would be used for year round trail maintenance, trail improvements and trail grooming during the winter months. This will enable the club to more efficiently perform the removal of downed trees and brush due to storm damage, the repair and replacement of bridges, installation of drainage to alleviate mud holes and other tasks as needed.

*Grant Award*                   \$49,725.00

*Match*                           \$11,916.96

**Colrain Sno-Drifters Snowmobile Club  
Go Green Equipment Upgrade**

This project will upgrade a 12-year-old groomer fleet to a more environmentally- friendly model. The new equipment, with its improved design and technology, will extend the life and usefulness of the machine as well as increase fuel economy and decrease the carbon footprint within the pristine areas that the club maintains.

<i>Grant Award</i>	\$29,216.63
<i>Match</i>	\$8,078.84

**Lunenburg Snow Riders**  
**Lunenburg Multi Seasonal Trail Improvement Project**

This project will fund the purchase of a new snow grooming drag to improve the club's grooming capabilities through the winter. The project will also involve the installation of gravel and trap rock along the trail system to mitigate erosion and the installation of an ADA compliant boardwalk and viewing station as well as parking lot improvements on a conservation parcel in Lunenburg.

<i>Grant Award</i>	\$24,259.00
<i>Match</i>	\$11,441.50

**Coldbrook Snowmobile Club**  
**Link the Ware River Rail Trail to Otter River State Park**

This project will install a bridge over the Otter River in Templeton to link the Ware River Rail Trail to Otter River State Park. In addition, the club will grade the northern portion of the Ware River Rail Trail that has been significantly damaged by wheeled vehicle use.

<i>Grant Award</i>	\$88,000.00
<i>Match</i>	\$35,335.00

**Department of Conservation and Recreation**  
**Pittsfield State Forest OHV Trail Rehabilitation**

This project will provide necessary equipment and materials to rehabilitate several sections of the OHV Trail system at Pittsfield State Forest and reestablish safe riding conditions, after the impact of several severe weather events have greatly degraded the trail system. This equipment will also enable OHV Park Rangers to conduct routine patrols and continually maintain OHV trails to ensure safe trail conditions for multiple user groups.

<i>Grant Award</i>	\$25,915.00
<i>Match</i>	\$5,523.00

***Non-Motorized Category***

**Massachusetts Audubon Society**  
**All-Persons Accessible Trail at Habitat Wildlife Sanctuary**

This project will construct a 2,690-foot, all-persons accessible loop trail from the Habitat Wildlife Sanctuary's Visitor Center to Turtle Pond and back. The trail will pass through woods, meadow and along a pond to provide an experience of three different eastern Massachusetts habitats in a short distance.

<i>Grant Award</i>	\$41,550.00
<i>Match</i>	\$24,442.00

**Town of Granby**  
**Dufresne Americans with Disabilities (ADA) Trail**

This project will construct a trail that is accessible to both ADA individuals and the elderly by creating a safe, level surface to navigate through approximately a half mile of the Dufresne Recreational Park. The trail will also open up access to areas that are currently inaccessible to this population, allowing more individuals to enjoy

nearly 80% of the park's features.

*Grant Award* \$33,400.00

*Match* \$17,147.00

### **Appalachian Mountain Club Revitalizing Becket Land Trust Historic Quarry and Forest Trails**

This project will repair and rehabilitate the trail system throughout the Becket Land Trust's Historic Quarry and Forest system. Volunteers along with the Berkshire Teen Trail Crew will work together to do maintenance and make appropriate trail upgrades.

*Grant Award* \$25,680.00

*Match* \$49,920.00

### **Town of Salisbury Stevens Trail Project**

The Stevens Trail Project is the creation of 2,100 linear feet of new trail that begins and ends on the Old Eastern Marsh Rail Trail. The project will include cutting the trails, building two pedestrian boardwalks, five benches and installing signage. This trail will provide an opportunity for additional hiking trails in Salisbury, opening up a beautiful area to all non-motorized users while also providing educational opportunities through signage.

*Grant Award* \$24,465.00

*Match* \$9,274.60

### **National Park Service & Taunton River Stewardship Pathways of the Taunton River Greenway**

This project will work to advance regional recreation and landscape scale conservation along the Taunton Wild & Scenic River and the Taunton River Greenway. Key project goals include the installation of a new car top boat access, the installation of kiosks and interpretive panels, design and printing of a map and guide and a trail implementation strategy for development of a 3-mile multi-use recreational trail all within the Taunton River Greenway area.

*Grant Award* \$16,350.00

*Match* \$49,920.00

### **The Opacum Land Trust Flynt Quarry Lands**

This project will improve trails throughout the Flynt Quarry Lands in Monson. Additionally, Opacum Land Trust will explore feasibility of developing Monson's first universally accessible trail on the site of the old quarry railroad and will investigate development of an interpretive trail exploring the history of the Flynt Granite Quarry.

*Grant Award* \$10,400.00

*Match* \$24,969.00

### **Merrimack River Watershed Council Urban Bird Sanctuary Access and Improvement Project**

This project will construct a series of walking trails that provide access to (but do not disturb) a variety of habitat types in the Merrimack River Watershed's 17-acre parcel of land in Andover. Trail amenities will provide users with educational materials that highlight the value and uniqueness of the area's rare and diverse bird and wildlife habitats, all located within a highly urbanized area of the state.

*Grant Award* \$32,106.00

*Match* \$19,026.00

**Pascommuck Conservation Trust, Inc.  
Brickyard Brook Accessible Trail**

This project involves the construction of a handicap-accessible loop trail through a pine-edged open meadow and of a picnic area at field's edge, offering striking views of Mount Tom. The project will provide visitor parking and a second safe access point for, and a connection to, the 3/4 mile existing trail network at Brickyard Brook, Pascommuck Conservation Trust's most-visited conservation area.

*Grant Award* \$47,265.00

*Match* \$82,432.00

**Town of Plymouth  
Plymouth Conservation Trail Access Improvements**

This project will provide enhancements to the Town of Plymouth's Conservation Trail system, including the creation of a 48-page trail guide pamphlet encompassing existing published trails and other significant open space properties. The installation of kiosks and trail map dispensers and the placement of 20 interpretive displays along major trail segments will also be completed.

*Grant Award* \$8,808.00

*Match* \$7,277.00

**The Stanley Park of Westfield  
Preserving Lasting Footprints**

In 2011, Stanley Park experienced a succession of storms causing heavy damage to its trails and wildlife sanctuary. This project will repair and rebuild bridges and boardwalks at the Frank Stanley Beveridge Wildlife Sanctuary, allowing this section of the park, which has been closed since 2011, to reopen.

*Grant Award* \$10,400.00

*Match* \$2,600.00

**Seekonk Land Conservation Trust  
Arcade Woods Trail**

This project will construct the Arcade Woods Trail in Seekonk, linking Town Hall and the Seekonk YMCA to the Turner Reservoir. This trail will be an "all persons" accessible trail and work will include the construction of a boardwalk along the Runnins River, a bridge to cross the river, and boardwalk and geo-textile surface through a wooded area to complete this crucial trail link.

*Grant Award* \$50,000.00

*Match* \$219,500.00

**City of New Bedford  
The Flora B. Peirce Nature Trail Improvement Project**

The Flora B. Peirce Nature Trail Improvement project is a collaboration between the City of New Bedford Parks and Recreation Office, the Conservation Commission and local conservation agencies to rehabilitate and restore the trail system. The project will include general trail clearing, restoration of bog bridges and the creation of interpretive signage to complement the existing trails.

*Grant Award* \$7,992.72

*Match* \$5,227.00

**Essex County Trail Association  
Ipswich River Trail Improvement & Expansion**

This project will involve easement acquisition, trail construction and repair and signage installation along the

Ipswich River Trail. As a result, this project will create crucial links between adjacent neighborhoods and public open spaces and will provide direct access to the Ipswich River.

*Grant Award* \$20,700.00

*Match* \$9,200.00

### **Southwest Boston Community Action Center Sherrin Woods Project**

This project will provide disadvantaged urban youth with comprehensive environmental education and hands-on service learning activities that will improve the conditions and usability of Sherrin Woods in Boston through trail improvement work projects.

*Request* \$17,809.00

*Match* \$4,453.00

### **City of Fall River Mowry Path Heritage Trail**

The Mowry Path Heritage Trail project will restore an ancient pathway and adjacent side trails and construct a connector trail in order to create a compact loop system for hiking and mountain bike use. Interpretive signs will be installed to portray the unique history of this site and a 4-wheel drive utility vehicle will be purchased to ensure timely maintenance and stewardship of the Mowry Path area as well as 24 additional miles of trails.

*Grant Award* \$20,317.00

*Match* \$12,694.00

### **Buzzards Bay Coalition Acushnet Sawmill Trails & Boardwalks Project**

This project will construct new trails and boardwalks within a 19-acre parcel situated at the head of tide on the Acushnet River. When completed, the facility will include a trail system and interpretive signage, an education center and a non-motorized boat launch.

*Grant Award* \$50,000.00

*Match* \$100,980.00

### **Town of Lincoln Conservation Department Bridge Upgrade and Expansion**

This project will upgrade the bridging infrastructure within the Lincoln trail system to accommodate the various user groups. These bridges will provide a safe crossing for all age ranges and user groups on bridges that are currently inadequate and unsafe.

*Grant Award* \$8,998.00

*Match* \$4,780.00

### **North Quabbin Trails Association North Quabbin Region Trails Economic Revitalization Program**

This project will fund two major trail maintenance projects, the creation of trail maps and publications, the GIS and data collection of a long distance legacy trail and provide for the much needed tools required to continue stewardship work within the regional trail network.

*Grant Award* \$18,709.99

*Match* \$17,180.00

**Upton Land Stewardship Committee & Historical Commission  
Upton Signs and Kiosks**

The project consists of building and installing kiosks, interpretive panels and land use regulation signs within Upton's open space properties.

*Grant Award*                    \$9,252.69  
*Match*                                \$6,012.60

***Education***

**Massachusetts Recreational Trail Advisory Board (MARTAB)  
RTP Education Grants**

Funds Reserved for education grants and purposes.

*Grant Awarded*                \$39,324.74  
*Match*                                \$11,811.00

***Administration***

**DCR - Planning and Resource Management  
Recreational Trails Program Administration**

Administration of the Recreational Trails Program

*Grant Awarded*                \$93,128.00  
*Match*                                \$23,071.00

<b>Total</b>	<b>Amount Awarded</b>	<b>\$1,330,400.00</b>
	<b>Match Proposed</b>	<b>\$1,072,764.00</b>