

Georgia Recreational Trails Program

Applicant Organization

Applicant Organization's Address

City

State

Zip

Federal Employer Identification Number

Applicant Type (check one)

Main Point of Contact

Phone

Email

Applicant's Chief Elected Official, Director, or President

Phone

Email

Additional Contact(s): Please include phone number(s) and email

Trail Site Address

City

State

Zip

County or counties where the trail will be located

DUNS Number for Trail Site

Project Information

Project Title

Project Narrative - Provide an general overview of your proposed project.

Primary Trail Users (check all that apply)

Total Project Cost

Funds Requested

Your Match Commitment

Percent (%) Matching Funds Calculation

Criteria

Criterion #1 - Project Scope (30 points)

a) Describe your project. Include the scope of your trail, including all trail elements. Explain why you are building this trail. How will this proposed trail enhance outdoor access and outdoor recreation?

b) Upload the site plan.

Criterion #2 - Project Planning (20 points)

a) Describe your project planning to date. How do you plan to complete the work? What permits will be needed and what permits have already been obtained?

b) Upload a proposed timeline to complete all trail work.

c) Project cost estimate showing all costs and cash matching funds.

Criterion #3 - Statewide Trail Needs (30 points)

a) Does your trail fit into one of the following categories?

b) Will this trail provide new signage at the trailhead(s) and/or along the trail or water trail?

yes

Describe all new signage planned for this project, including at trailhead(s) and along the trail.

Criterion #4 - Accessibility (10 points)

a) Upload the Georgia DNR Accessibility Form Here

b) Will this trail exceed minimum accessibility expectations under the ADA?

yes

Describe how this trail will exceed minimum accessibility expectations under the ADA.

Criterion #5 - Trail Maintenance (30 points)

a) Does your agency have an approved Trail Maintenance Plan?

yes

Upload your approved Trail Maintenance Plan here.

b) Do you have dedicated funding for ongoing trail maintenance?

yes

b.1) If you have a formal resolution of support for long-term maintenance, upload here.

b.2) Identify the number of permanent staff members dedicated to trail maintenance and the titles of their positions.

b.3) List any group(s) that assists with trail maintenance and the frequency of their trail work.

Criterion #6 - Local Support and Regional Needs (10 points)

Is this specific trail or trail system identified as a need in a currently adopted regional or local planning document? This may include a comprehensive plan or recreation master plan, county or regional master plan, trail system plan, capital improvements plan or land use/management plan adopted by the appropriate authority.

Upload any supporting documents.

Criterion #7 - Demonstration of Public Financial Support (10 points)

Does this project have financial support from beyond your government in the form of cash commitments and/or in-kind pledges of materials, professional services, and/or volunteer hours?

yes

Upload public support letter(s) that includes a financial commitment.

Criterion #8 - Economic Development Opportunities (10 points)

We know from national studies and surveys that trail related trips provide economic benefits to local communities. What specific economic benefits can your community gain from this trail project?

Criterion #9 - Leverage of Grant Funds (20 points)

Congress requires that grantees pay for at least 20% of the total project cost. Additional points are awarded for applicants who commit to providing more than 20% project match. What match percentage is your agency committed to providing for this grant?

Criterion #10 - Recent RTP Grants (20 points)

Has your agency received a RTP grant in the past ten years?

Criterion #11 - Other Criteria (10 points)

a) What surface or surfaces will your completed trail feature?

b) Will your trail project be completed by a Youth Service and Conservation Corps?

yes

Upload your contract with the Corps who will be completing your trail project.

Uploads

Letter authorizing the grant application on official letterhead signed by the chief elected official. This letter must also include: (1) acknowledgement that this is a reimbursement grant; (2) grant term cannot exceed 24 months; (3) applicant expressly commits to the percentage of match throughout the application.

Photos of the site with photo key.

Project Location Map with sufficient detail for visiting the site.

Will this project include any form of property acquisition (fee simple, easement, etc.)?

yes

Upload, as a single document, all documents you have related to the acquisition here. This may include appraisals, title reports, environmental assessments, and/or proof of willing seller(s).

Will the trail, in whole or in part, be constructed on land not owned by the Applicant?

yes

Upload a signed, legally defensible document that demonstrates the landowner's (or landowners') support for the project in its entirety.

Upload the deed(s), lease(s) and/or easement(s) for all parcels where the proposed trail will be built.

Upload plat/parcel map(s) with legal description of all parcels where the proposed trail will be built.

Supporting Material if needed (pictures, examples, drawings, letter of support, etc.)

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