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Joint Committee on Finance

MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Howard Marklein
Representative Mark Born

Date: April 5, 2024

Re: 14-Day Passive Review Approval – DNR

Pursuant to s. 23.0917(6m), Stats., attached is a 14-day passive review request from the Department of Natural Resources, received on April 5, 2024.

Please review the material and notify **Senator Marklein** or **Representative Born** no later than **Wednesday, April 24, 2024**, if you have any concerns about the request or if you would like the Committee to meet formally to consider it.

Also, please contact us if you need further information.

Attachments

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The Honorable Mark Born, Co-Chair
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Dear Senator Marklein and Representative Born:

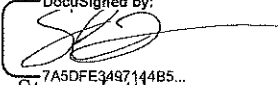
Pursuant to s. 23.0917(6m), Wis. Stats., the Department is notifying you as co-chairs of the Committee on Joint Finance of a proposed development grant to Village of East Troy for the Multi-Use Trail Extension project using grant funds in the amount of \$458,236.00 from the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program. The proposed grant award represents 22% of the estimated project costs. This parcel is located in the Village of East Troy, Walworth County.

The proposed project will provide safe, off-road, pedestrian access between the East Troy Square business district, Mill Pond Park, and the nearly 450 residences and businesses located on Honey Creek Road. It connects to an existing path that provides access to East Troy's square. This will provide year-round recreation use for biking, skating jogging, and walking. The project will also provide trailhead improvements at an existing trailhead on CTH G, as well as additional trails through wooded areas connecting to this trailhead.

As provided in s. 23.0917(6m)(a), Wis. Stats., if the Department does not receive notification of the scheduling of a hearing from either of the Joint Committee on Finance co-chairpersons within 14 working days from submission of this letter, the Department will award this grant.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Steven Little
Deputy Secretary

CORRESPONDENCE/MEMORANDUM**DATE:** 3/26/2024**TO:** Members of the Joint Committee on Finance**FROM:** Steven Little, Deputy Secretary**SUBJECT: Request for approval of stewardship development grant exceeding \$250,000**

Pursuant to s. 23.0917(6m)(a) and (c), Wis. Stats., the Department of Natural Resources is notifying you of a proposed Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program grant in the amount of \$458,236.00 to the Village of East Troy for the Multi-Use Trail Extension development project. The Knowles-Nelson Stewardship program is funded under s. 20.866(2)(ta), Wis. Stats.

I. PROJECT DETAILS:**Project Sponsor:** Village of East Troy**Grant Subprogram:** Acquisition and Development of Local Parks**Location:** The **Multi-use Trail Extension project** is located in the Village of East Troy, Walworth County.**Project Description:**

The multi-use trail extension will provide safe, off-road pedestrian access between the East Troy Square business district, Mill Pond Park, and the nearly 450 residences and businesses located on Honey Creek Road. The trail extension will connect to an existing path that provides access to the Village square. An additional spur recreation path through the wooded area north of the CTH G trailhead parking lot will also be constructed.

In addition, this project will provide improvements at the CTH G trailhead. These improvements include:

- replacing the current gravel parking lot with an asphalt lot that has curb and gutter, lighting, and landscaping.
- installing bike racks, benches and garbage receptacles along with a paved pad for a port-a-potty.
- constructing a paved accessible access to connect the parking lot to the accessible fishing pier.

This multi-use trail will provide year-round recreational use for biking, skating, jogging, and walking. It also allows for the safe off-road bike and pedestrian access to Mill Pond Park and the Village Square which may reduce congestion during events in the Village Square.

All paths will be ten feet in width. Costs for the design, permitting, and construction will be included in the grant expenses. A location map and conceptual site plan for this project are attached.

Public Benefit: The trail will be used by pedestrians, bicyclists, joggers, in-line skaters and skateboarders. It will also be used as an alternative for motor vehicles to access Mill Pond Park and the balance of the Village. A parking lot in Mill Pond Park is adjacent to the existing trail that this one connects to. It will act as a trail head if citizens choose to do so. The users can also access it from adjacent residences and businesses.

Coordination with recreational planning: This project will advance the purposes of the Acquisition and Development of Local Parks grant program and objectives of local and regional recreation planning efforts. For the purposes of the Acquisition and Development of Local Parks program, this project will provide new public nature-based outdoor recreation facilities. This project will also provide and enhance public access to the trail system as well as implement recommendations from Village of East Troy Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan and the Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan.

Public Access: The Multi-Use Trail Extension will be available to the public 24/7, 7 days per week, and 365 days per year. The trail will be used by pedestrians, bicyclists, joggers, in-line skaters and skateboarders. It will also be used as an alternative for motor vehicles to access Mill Pond Park and the balance of the Village. A parking lot in Mill Pond Park is adjacent to the existing trail that this one connects to. It will act as a trail head if citizens choose to do so. The users can also access it from adjacent residences and businesses.

Property Management: The Multi-use Trail Extension will be operated and maintained by Village of East Troy.

Timetable: Construction will begin June 2024, completed and fully open to the public by June 2026.

Partnerships: Walworth County and WisDot own the right of ways of the roadways. They have approved the trail plans and granted permits for the work. WisDot has provided TAP funding to be used as match for this project.

II. PROJECT FINANCES:

Proposed Stewardship grant	\$ 458,236.00 (22%)
DOT TAP Grant	\$1,189,468.00
Village of East Troy grant match	<u>\$ 435,243.00</u>
Total project costs	\$2,082,947.00

III. RECOMMENDED:

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Terry H. Bay, Director
Bureau of Facilities and Lands

Date

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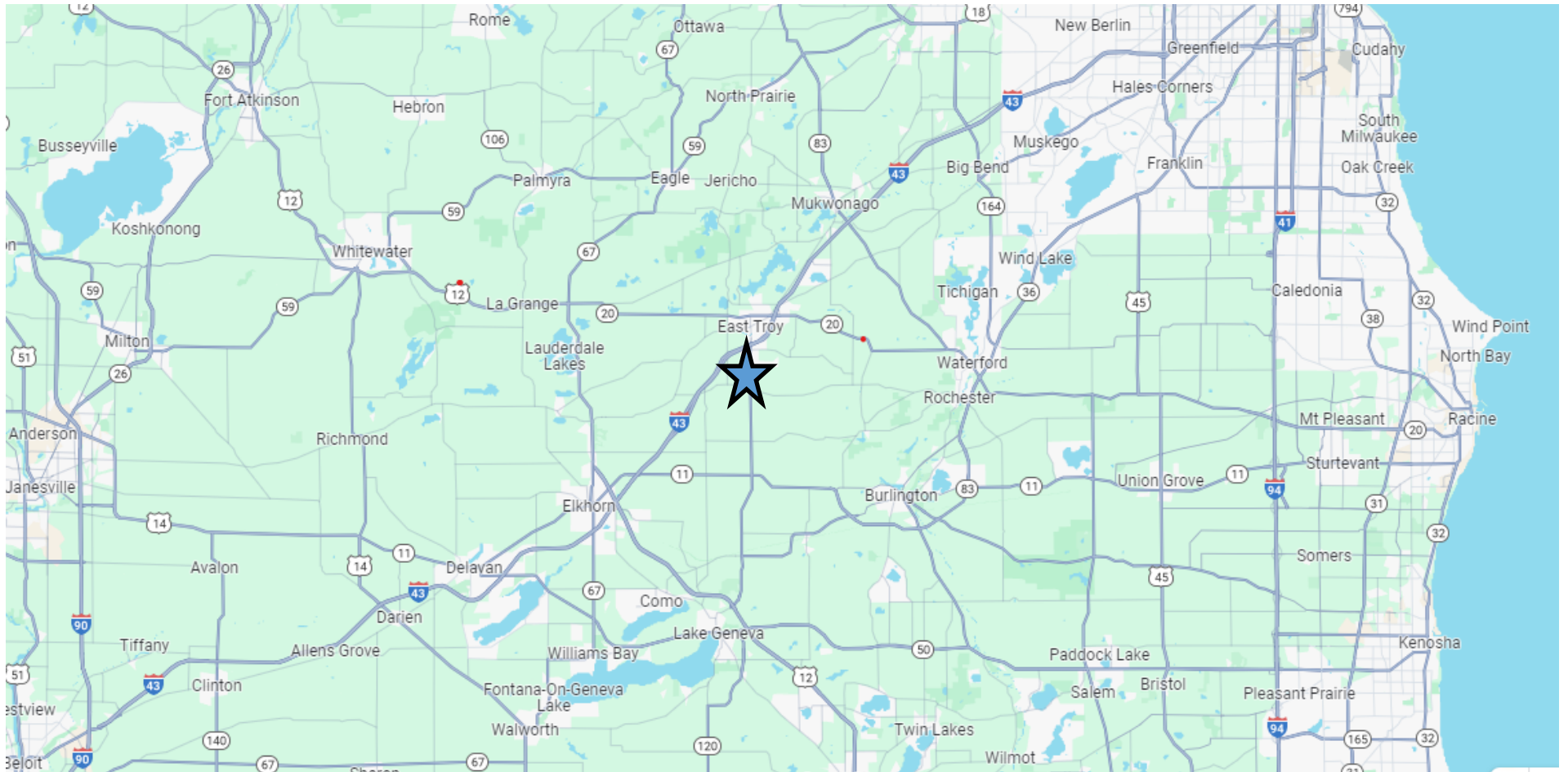
Tim Cooke, Administrator
Division of Internal Services

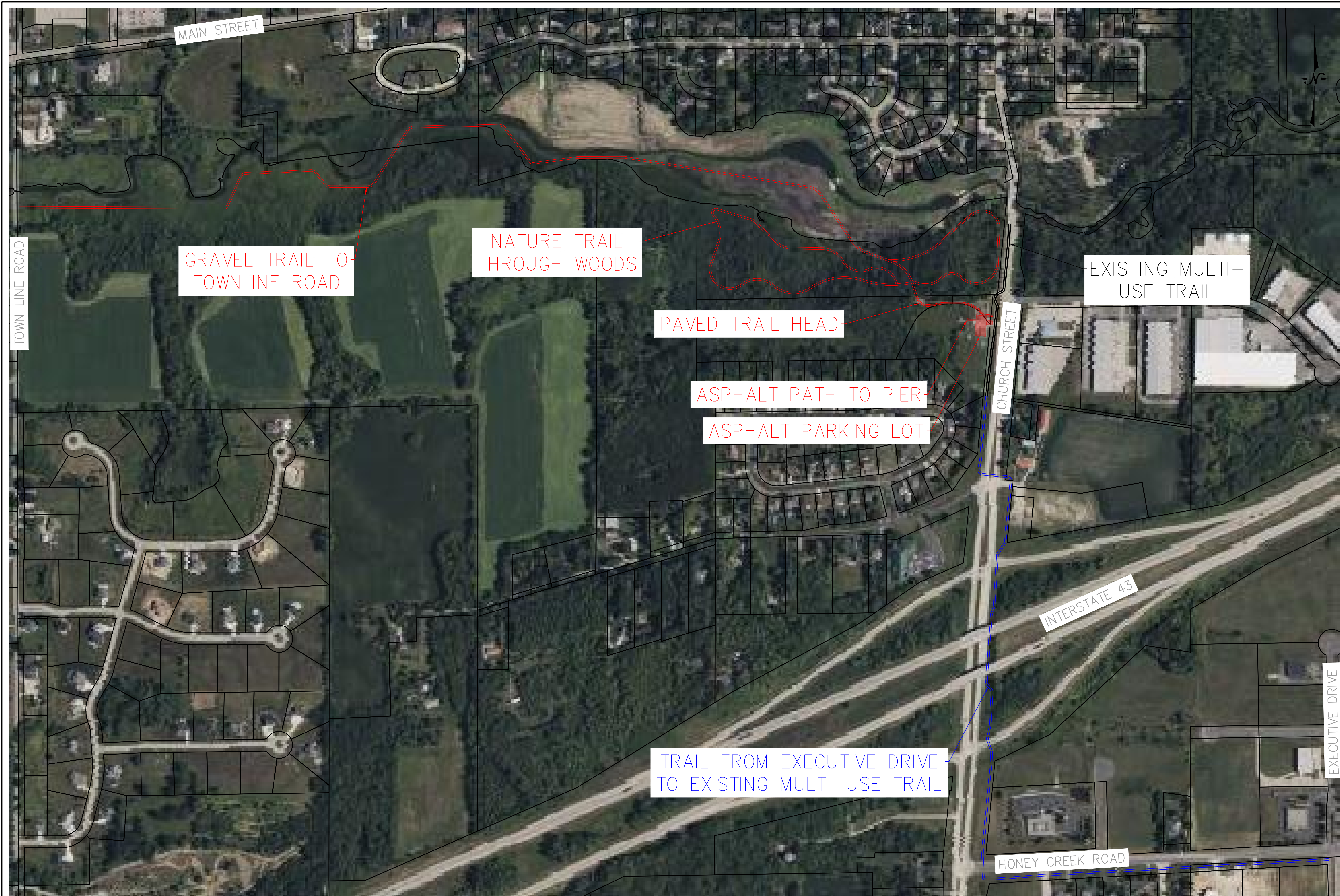
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Attachments: Appendix A – Location map and conceptual site plan

Exhibit A

Location Map - Multi-Use Trail - East Troy, WI





EXHIBITS FOR
MULTI-USE TRAILS
 EAST TROY, WI

LYNCH & ASSOCIATES
 ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, LLC

EXHIBITS	REVISIONS	NO.	BY	DATE

ISSUED FOR REVIEW

PLAN DATE 03.15.2024
 DESIGNED BY BRW



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