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Dear Sherry,

I am writing to share this Board's support of the Recreation Trails Program grant request submitted by our Town.

We are eager to restore and improve recreational trails in our Town Forest. Our forest is a significant natural resource that is underdeveloped as a recreational asset.

The Town remains committed to the on-going trail maintenance and meeting the current VT Water Quality – Acceptable Management Practices as required. We are fortunate to have an active Forest Board and Friends of Fairlee Forest participating in the stewardship of the Town Forest.

The Town has just completed a Better Connections Grant project called "Main St. to Morey" (M2M). In the final M2M report there are recommendations for integrating the Town Forest and Lake Morey into the recreation opportunities for visitors and residents. The Town Forest is an integral link for the Cross Rivendell Trail and VAST Systems.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Peter Berger, Chair
Fairlee Selectboard