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To: Goodhue County Board of Commissioners
County Administrator, Scott Arneson

Re: 2027 Cannon Valley Funding Request

Date: September 8, 2026

I would like the Board to revisit and discuss the 2027 funding level for the Cannon Valley Trail. Following is information the board has received related to this topic:

Cannon Valley Trail Funding Request submitted to the June 13, 2024 Budget Committee.
June 13, 2024, Budget Committee Minutes.

At the February 10, 2026, County Board Workshop, the Board directed staff to notify Outside Agencies of a potential funding reduction of up to 10% for 2027. On February 19, 2026, staff sent out correspondence to all outside agencies.
February 10, 2026, Board Workshop Notes
February 19, 2026, Outside Agency Correspondence

The Budget Committee reviewed 2027 Outside Agency funding requests at the June 9, 2026, Budget Committee. The Committee recommended that all 2027 funding requests remain at the 2026 level.
June 9, 2026, Budget Committee Minutes

My understanding is that in June 2024, the Trail submitted a funding request, and the Board approved a three-year commitment covering 2025 through 2027. Additionally, the County is a member of a Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Red Wing and the City of Cannon Falls, and the revised Bylaws and Joint Powers Agreement were approved at the May 19, 2026, County Board Meeting.