



# Goodhue County Grant Form

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Application       Acceptance

## Grant Information

**Grant Award: approximately \$200,000**

**Name of Grant: Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Grant**

**Sponsoring Agency: Goodhue County**

**Grant Period: To be determined**

## Department Information

**Department: Cannon Valley Trail**

**Primary Contact Person: Scott Roepke, Trail Manager**

**Phone number: 507-263-0508**

## **Purpose:**

The Cannon Valley Trail is applying for grant dollars to repair slope failures at Mile 14 and 16.

## **Restrictions:**

Goodhue County hereby assures that the Cannon Valley Trail will be maintained for a period of no less than 20 years.

Reimbursement     Payment up front     Match (\$ or in-kind)

**Website Address: [www.cannonvalleytrail.com](http://www.cannonvalleytrail.com)**

**CFDA # (if Federal Grant): n/a**

**Date sent to Administration: May 2024**

**Board Approval Date (for office use only): \_\_\_\_\_**

# Regular Board

May 2024

To: The Honorable Goodhue County Commissioners

From: Janie Farar, Chairman of the Cannon Valley Trail Joint Powers Board  
Scott Roepke, Trail Manager of the Cannon Valley Trail

Re: Cannon Valley Trail is requesting a resolution be approved by the Goodhue County Board of Commissioners to fulfill the requirements of a Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission Grant Program– Cannon Valley Trail Supplemental Funding – Mile 14 and 16 Slope Failure Repair Project.

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## REPORT SUMMARY

### Project Background

In July 2021, the Cannon Valley Trail (CVT) Joint Powers Board received approval from the Goodhue County Board of Commissioners to sponsor a CVT grant application for the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission Grant Program. The grant was awarded in 2022 to address slope failures at Mile 14 and 16 of the CVT.

- Total Grant Awarded: \$490,000
- Cannon Valley Trail Match (25%): \$163,000
- Total Project Cost (Original): \$756,000

### Project Update

The initial project involved an engineered design to repair the slopes. However, construction was halted due to a permit denial from the MN DNR Scientific and Natural Areas program. The engineers have developed a new solution utilizing sheet piling, which requires additional funding of \$200,000.

- New Solution Cost: \$200,000
- Cannon Valley Trail Match (25%): \$50,000
- Grant Funding Needed: \$150,000

### Next Steps

The Cannon Valley Trail Joint Powers Board requests your support in securing an additional \$150,000 in grant funding to complete the slope repairs at Mile 14 and 16. We have secured the necessary matching funds and believe this project remains crucial for the safety and longevity of the Cannon Valley Trail.

## BACKGROUND

Goodhue County has been the sponsoring unit of government in past grant applications that have been submitted by the Cannon Valley Trail. In order to apply for and receive a GMRPTC grant, a local unit of government must sponsor the grant application.

## ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS/IMPACT

Requested Action: The Cannon Valley Trail Joint Powers Board requests that the Goodhue County Board of Commissioners pass a resolution to be the local unit of government sponsor for the GMRPTC grant application.

## RECOMMENDATION

The Cannon Valley Trail Joint Powers Board is requesting that Goodhue County pass a resolution to be the local unit of government sponsor for the GMRPTC Program. **Please see draft resolution attached.**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION - LEGACY**

Resolution approving a Greater Minnesota Legacy Grant application to the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission and Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for the Supplemental Funding – Mile 14 and 16 Slope Failure Repair Project.

WHEREAS, Goodhue County has the right and authority to sponsor a grant funding request to the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission (GMRPTC).

WHEREAS, Goodhue County has a right and authority to act as Legal Sponsor for the State Grant Application (the “Application”) and will work with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (“DNR”), in developing a Grant Agreement relating to the funding which may be awarded by the GMRPTC.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Applicant certifies it has read and understands the Office of Grants Management Conflict of Interest Policy 08-01, will maintain an adequate Conflict of Interest Policy and monitor and report any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest to the GMRPTC and DNR.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant confirms all of the information in its Application and further confirms that it has no expectation of, or entitlement to, reimbursement of costs incurred prior to grant agreement execution date and, if applicable, it has not entered into a written purchase agreement to acquire property described in its Application if grant funds are to be used for the purchase.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant has or will acquire a fee interest ownership or permanent easement over the land described in the Application for regional parks and regional special feature parks as applicable. The applicant has or will acquire a fee interest, permanent or perpetual easement or minimum twenty (20) year lease over the land described in the Application for regional trails or regional special feature parks, as applicable and approved, before the project proceeds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Applicant agrees that it will comply with all applicable laws, regulations and requirements as stated in the Grant Agreement with the DNR, including dedicating the park property for uses consistent with the grant agreement into perpetuity or for trails, committing to maintain the trails for a period of not less than twenty (20) years, and dedicating all land acquired under the project for uses consistent with the grant agreement into perpetuity.

BE IT FURTHER UNDERSTOOD, that the GMRPTC will confirm at such time that it has made the award of funds authorizing a Grant Agreement to be developed between the DNR and the Applicant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the foregoing executed as of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

**APPLICANT**  
(Goodhue County)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Print Name:* \_\_\_\_\_  
Its: Authorized Representative

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