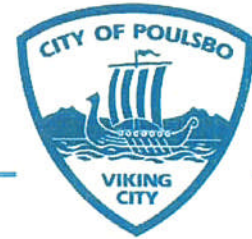


City of Poulsbo

Office of Mayor Kathryn Quade



July 30, 2008

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RE: RTCA - Trails Grant

It is my pleasure to recommend the North Kitsap Trails Association (NKTA) for the National Parks Service RTCA Trails Grant.

This non-profit group has been working on a regional trail system in North Kitsap, engaging the public and local community organizations, in effort to connect many trails into one regional system known as the String of Pearls. The City of Poulsbo, with 3.75 miles of trails currently, will be one stop along that string, and looks forward to participating in building more trails along this instrumental corridor.

The String of Pearls trail system is beneficial to Poulsbo and the greater North Kitsap area, as it promotes healthy lifestyles, economic development through tourism, cultural opportunities, protection of natural resources, and encourages non-motorized transportation.

The NKTA has taken an active role in unifying many communities, agencies, and organizations behind one common goal of creating a regional trail system across the Kitsap Peninsula. The partnerships forged by our community are instrumental in the success of programs like these. The City of Poulsbo recommends the NKTA for the National Park Service assistance program that will help facilitate the completion of the String of Pearls Regional Trail System.

Sincerely,

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Kathryn H. Quade
Mayor

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SUBJECT: North Kitsap Trails Association Grant Application

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Bremerton supports the North Kitsap Trails Association for a planning grant to accomplish the goal of connecting each of our villages on a trail system.

This proposal is a wonderful project that has community support and I hope you look favorably on their application.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns at 360 473-5266.

Thank you very much,

Cary Bozeman
Mayor