

State Of Maryland

2024 Bond Initiative Fact Sheet

1. Name Of Project		
Seneca Greenway Trail		
2. Senate Sponsor	3. House Sponsor	
Feldman	Foley	
4. Jurisdiction (County or Baltimore City)	5. Requested Amount	
Montgomery County	\$140,000	
6. Purpose of Bond Initiative		
the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping of the Seneca Greenway Trail, including the trail sidewalk under Clopper Road		
7. Matching Fund		
Requirements:	Type:	
Grant		
8. Special Provisions		
<input type="checkbox"/> Historical Easement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Sectarian	
9. Contact Name and Title	Contact Ph#	Email Address
Senator Brian Feldman		Brian.Feldman@senate.state.md.us
David Magill		301-518-8189
10. Description and Purpose of Organization (Limit length to visible area)		
<p>MORE is the premier mountain biking and trail-building advocacy club in the DMV area. MORE's mission is to build an inclusive mountain biking community and to increase access to natural-surface trails throughout the region for all trail users. Founded in 1992, MORE advocates for natural-surface trails throughout the DMV area and has built an impressive network of multi-use trails and a strong community of trail users. MORE helps maintain over 900 miles of natural-surface trails in over 60 state, county and city parks, through the work of thousands of MORE volunteers and over 15,000 volunteer hours annually. MORE also hosts ride events and group rides for kids and adults. MORE is a volunteer run organization with ~2000 members and one employee.</p>		

11. Description and Purpose of Project (Limit length to visible area)

The Seneca Greenway natural surface trail runs 26 miles from the C&O Canal north to Damascus. This popular trail is open to hikers, mountain bikes and horses in sections. MORE is upgrading a 3.5 mile trail section in Seneca Creek State Park to make it more sustainable and safer. The most significant safety risk still needs to be addressed, a safe passage under the very busy Clopper Road. The trail currently crosses steeply angled concrete for about 150 feet under the road and next to a creek, presenting a slip and fall risk to users. MORE has developed and permitted design drawings for a concrete sidewalk and retaining wall to be cut into the existing concrete stream barrier. MORE is seeking \$140,000 in grant funding to construct the sidewalk. MORE has spent \$12,000 to date for design and permitting. All required permits for the work have been obtained. In 2023 MORE solicited bids for the sidewalk construction, which were in the range of \$140,000.

Round all amounts to the nearest \$1,000. The totals in Items 12 (Estimated Capital Costs) and 13 (Proposed Funding Sources) must match. The proposed funding sources must not include the value of real property unless an equivalent value is shown under Estimated Capital Costs.

12. Estimated Capital Costs

Acquisition	\$0
Design	\$12,000
Construction	\$140,000
Equipment	\$0
Total	\$152,000

13. Proposed Funding Sources - (List all funding sources and amounts.)

Requested State LBI Grant	\$140,000
MORE - Donations and Membership Fees	\$7,000
Athletic Brewing Grant - Two for the Trails	\$5,000
Total	\$152,000

14. Project Schedule (Enter a date or one of the following in each box. N/A, TBD or Complete)			
Begin Design	Complete Design	Begin Construction	Complete Construction
Complete	Complete	8/2023	9/2023
15. Total Private Funds and Pledges Raised		16. Current Number of People Served Annually at Project Site	17. Number of People to be Served Annually After the Project is Complete
25000.00		~1500	~3000
18. Other State Capital Grants to Recipients in the Past 15 Years			
Legislative Session	Amount	Purpose	
FY2023	\$100,000	Natural Surface Trails in Patuxent River State Park	
19. Legal Name and Address of Grantee		Project Address (If Different)	
MORE (The Mid-Atlantic Off-Road Enthusiasts) PO Box 2662 Fairfax VA 22031-0662		Seneca Creek State Park 11950 Clopper Road Gaithersburg, MD 20878	
20. Legislative District in Which Project is Located	15 - Montgomery County		
21. Legal Status of Grantee (Please Check One)			
Local Govt.	For Profit	Non Profit	Federal
[]	[]	[X]	[]
22. Grantee Legal Representative		23. If Match Includes Real Property:	
Name:	Dave Magill	Has An Appraisal Been Done?	Yes/No
Phone:	3015188189		
Address:		If Yes, List Appraisal Dates and Value	
12212 HICKORY WOOD COURT Potomac, MD 20854			

24. Impact of Project on Staffing and Operating Cost at Project Site			
Current # of Employees	Projected # of Employees	Current Operating Budget	Projected Operating Budget
N/A	N/A	500.00	500.00
25. Ownership of Property (Info Requested by Treasurer's Office for bond purposes)			
A. Will the grantee own or lease (pick one) the property to be improved?			
B. If owned, does the grantee plan to sell within 15 years?			
C. Does the grantee intend to lease any portion of the property to others?			No
D. If property is owned by grantee any space is to be leased, provide the following:			
Lessee	Terms of Lease	Cost Covered by Lease	Square Footage Leased
E. If property is leased by grantee - Provide the following:			
Name of Leaser	Length of Lease	Options to Renew	
26. Building Square Footage:			
Current Space GSF			
Space to be Renovated GSF			
New GSF			

27. Year of Construction of Any Structures Proposed for Renovation, Restoration or Conversion	
28. Comments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- DNR owns the property where the improvements will be made. DNR and MORE will enter into an access agreement for the property to allow MORE to build the improvements, and DNR will co-sign the grant agreement.- MORE developed the sidewalk design in close cooperation with MDOT SHA and DNR, and has obtained all necessary permits (from DNR, MDOT SHA and MDE) for the project.- The trail and sidewalk, once constructed, will require very little maintenance. MORE volunteers and park staff will regularly inspect the trail and sidewalk and carry out routine maintenance such as clearing vegetation and debris.- Trail user estimates are only for the 3.5 mile section of the Seneca Greenway Trail. No precise usage figures are available. Usage of the entire 26 mile Seneca Greenway Trail is estimated at over 10,000 user passes per year.	