

## 11. CPA PROJECT APPLICATION FORM

[CPC Use Only: Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assigned CPC #2022- \_\_\_\_\_]

If possible, use word processor to fill out form. Please answer all questions, use "N/A" if not applicable.

1. a.) Applicant Name and Organization: Last Peter Cunningham First \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization(s) (if appropriate) Squannacook Greenways

b.) Regional Project: Yes ☒? or No? ☐ If Yes, Town/Organization: Groton-Townsend

2. Submission Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Applicant Address: St. 44 Smith Street  
City/ State: Groton, MA. ZIP: 1450

4. Ph. # 448-3497 Email: brecca@charter.net

5. CPA Purpose. Check all that apply:

Community Housing ☐ (Affordable Housing ☐) Historic Preservation\* ☐ Open Space: ☐  
Recreation ☒

*\* As per MA General Law Chapter 44B, proposed historic projects that are not on the structures listed on the state's registry of historic places require a determination by the Groton Historic Commission that the proposed project is of historic significance.*

6. Town Committee or boards participating: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Project Location/Address: Crosswinds Drive (Assessor map: 203/parcel: 19/lot: 0

8. Project Name: Squannacook River Rail Trail

9. Additional Responsible Parties (If applicable):

Role (specify)	Name	Address	Ph. (w) (cell)	Email
Property/Site Owner	MBTA	10 Park Plaza, Boston	(617) 222-32	
Project Manager	Peter Cunningham, Squannacook Greenways	44 Smith Street, Groton	(978) 448-34	
Lead Architect	Mark Cram, P.E.	114 Turner Road, Taunton	(978) 597-81	
Project Contractor	to be determined			
Project Consultants	Stan Dillis, P.E.	1 Main St., Lunenburg	(978) 779-60	
Other:				
Other				

10. As appropriate, indicate if proposal requires P&S agreement IN Deed IN  
Option agreement IN Other-describe: Squannacook Greenways has a 99 year lease with the MBTA for development of the SRRT

11. a.) Assessor info. (map/ block/ lot id.(s)): 209/19/0 b.) Tax classification type: \_\_\_\_\_

12. Permits required: Zoning: N/A Historic Preservation: N/A Other: Mark Cram, P.E.

13. Historic Commission Approval signoff (when required): N/A Date: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Funding: a.) Project Cost: \$ 130,000 Estimate: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Professional Quote: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b.) Requested from CPC: \$ 30,000.00 c.) Committed from other sources: \$ 100,000.00

d.) Annual anticipated total income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ e.) Annual anticipated total expense: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

f.) Anticipated net income (loss): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ g.) Estimator name/company: \_\_\_\_\_

15. CCP Objectives - use codes from **Section 5** to indicate all that apply: Code: 5.3 and OSRP code: 9.5.1

16. Project Timelines: Proposed Start Date: 11/15/22 Projected Complete Date: 3/15/23

17. Estimated Delivery Date of Completion Report to CPC: 5/15/23


18. Project description and explanation (attach additional sheets as needed): The project proposal is for construction of the Squannacook River Rail Trail from the Bertozzi Wildlife Management Area to the northern Crosswinds Drive crossing for a total distance of .65 miles. The construction of the entire SRRT is being conducted in phases due to environmental requirements which limit construction activity to a period of between November 15th and March 15th. Squannacook Greenways is also relying on DCR Trails grants to underwrite a large portion of construction costs and has been the successful recipient in the last two rounds of grant cycles (see attachments). Squannacook Greenways will be applying for a DCR MassTrails grant for FY 2022 and will be relying on CPA funds as the local match requirement. If successful, it is our intention to commence construction in November, 2022.

19. Feasibility: The feasibility of the SRRT was documented in CPA project # 2007-11; 'Squannacook River Rail Trail, Environmental Engineering Assessment.'

20. List of attachments: DCR MassTrails grants, 2019 & 2020. CPA project # 2007-11 (see CPC website for pdf link)

21. Additional Information: After years in the planning phase, the SRRT is currently becoming a reality. The entire rail corridor from Townsend center to the Bertozzi WMA has been cleared of trees and the rails have been removed. The final construction phase from Townsend center to Old Meetinghouse Road is currently underway and is due for completion by March, 2021. The next phase, to commence in November, 2021 would be from Old Meetinghouse Road to the Townsend harbor area with completion by March, 2022.

22. Management Plan: Management of the SRRT is by the applicant, Squannacook Greenways. Squannacook Greenways has the experience from the work that been performed on the SRRT to date. This includes all requisite permitting, clearing of the rail corridor and final construction on Townsend sections of the trail.

23. Applicant Signature: Peter Cunningham  Digitally signed by Peter Cunningham  
Date: 2021.01.12 11:22:47 -05'00' Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Co Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Co Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2019 MassTrails Grant Awards (71 Projects)

Grant ID	Community	Organization	Project Title	Brief Project Description	Project Type	Use	Award	Match
MT19054	Townsend and Groton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts	Squannacook Greenways, Inc. (SGI)	Squannacook River Rail Trail	The Squannacook River Rail Trail is a 3.7-mile stone-dust trail to be constructed along the MBTA right of way in Townsend and Groton, Massachusetts. In 2018, we completed the MEPA and NHESP permitting process, obtained an Order of Conditions from the Groton Conservation Commission, initiated permitting with the Townsend Conservation Commission, and completed professional flagging of the wetlands in Townsend along the trail. The project proposed in this grant application consists of: a) Tasks required for compliance with the Orders of Conditions (OOC) received from the Groton and Townsend Conservation Commissions b) Trailside signage to display safety, regulatory, accessibility, and resource protection information c) Trailside appurtenances including kiosks, bollards, and benches.	Construction	Diverse Use	\$27,780.00	\$8,323.00
MT19055	Westfield, Massachusetts	The Stanley Park of Westfield, Inc.	"The Stanley Park Trail Improvement-Phase I Project"	The basic goals of the "Stanley Park Trail Improvement-Phase I Project" are to make the trail network safer, improve accessibility and to heighten the user's experience by adding some amenities to the trails. By re-routing some trail sections, addressing some erosion and wet area repairs, updating the trail blazing, replacing an inadequate 50' bridge, clearing a number of hazardous trees, and purchasing a rotary cutter to maintain the trailside growth especially on the refurbished meadow trail, the project will make the trails safer and more accessible. Adding several resting/viewing benches along the trail network will enhance the experience for the many users of this trail network. Ultimately, Stanley Park's goal is to ensure that the trail network is safe, accessible, and provides a high-quality experience for its users. Keeping the amenities of the Frank Stanley Beveridge Wildlife Sanctuary safe for those who visit and use the trails while staying on track to maintain the natural surroundings and ecological integrity of the Wildlife Sanctuary for generations to come.	Maintenance	Non-Motorized	\$50,000.00	\$50,488.00
MT19056	Ware, MA	Town of Ware	Ware River Valley Rail Trail Improvements	The proposed project will complete work on the Ware River Valley section of the Central Massachusetts Rail Trail. The project will repair and reroute by a stormwater drainage system and will provide screening to abutting residential properties and directional and regulatory signage for the Trail. Finally, the project will purchase and install a stone dust surface on the trail.	Construction	Diverse Use	\$38,500.00	\$13,500.00
MT19057	Statewide	Snowmobile Association of Massachusetts	MA Snowmobile Map App & Signs	The intent of this project is to provide MA Interactive Trail Map via web, phone & 1x printing. This will be the first comprehensive Snowmobile Trail Map to include all of Massachusetts trails that include state parks/forests where snowmobiling trails exist. The proposed project will enable the Recreational Trails Program to cast a wider net to encourage users to get out and explore Massachusetts with confidence using clear trail signage with relational GPS coordinates for trail heads, trail location and conditions.	Other: Mapping	Motorized	\$34,400.00	\$8,600.00
MT19058	Williamstown	Hoosic River Watershed Association	Linear Park Link Trail	The Hoosic River Watershed Association (HooRWA) proposes to construct the Linear Park Link Trail, approximately a half mile long, following the Green River to join the northern and southern sections of Linear Park, which currently are not connected. The proposed trail is supported by town officials, Williamstown Rural Land Foundation (which manages the northern section of the park), and Pamela Weatherbee, who has granted an easement for the trail to cross her property. The planning committee for this project has done extensive preparation with engineers, the Student Conservation Association, the town Conservation Commission, and various Williamstown citizens.	Construction	Non-Motorized	\$21,123.00	\$6,160.00

## 2020 Mass Trails Grant Awards (55 Projects)

Community	Organization	Project Title	Brief Project Description	Project Type	Trail Use	Award	Match
Fitchburg	City of Fitchburg	Fitchburg Trails Wayfinding Signage Project	This project will build upon the recently completed Fitchburg Trails Vision Master Plan, which inventoried Fitchburg's non-motorized recreational trails, created and publicized detailed trail maps and descriptions, and identified the need to post wayfinding signage to help the public better access our extensive but mostly unmarked trail networks. We propose to install a wayfinding signage system that is clear, complete, consistent and coordinated. Additionally, we will install 4 x 6 map and informational panels on seven new trailhead kiosks at our major trailhead parking areas. The signage system will incorporate a QR code link to the city's web-based trail maps that contain interpretive information not available in the field in both English and Spanish languages.	Other: Signage on existing trails	Non-Motorized/Diverse	\$39,687.00	\$22,290.00
Florida	Florida Mountaineers Snowmobile Club	Equipment Purchase/Trail Maintenance	This project will help the Florida Mountaineers Snowmobile Club (FMSC) to cover the expenses of much-needed repairs to existing maintenance equipment, and to purchase a used snow groomer to increase the club's maintenance capacity. FMSC maintains a 50-mile trail system that extends through private properties and the Florida, Savoy, and Monroe State Forests. The trails system consists of direct trail linkage to the surrounding towns through multiple easy access points, and connects to the State of Vermont's V.A.S.T. trail system.	Maintenance Equipment Purchase	Motorized	\$67,036.80	\$16,759.20
Franklin	Franklin & Bellingham Rail Trail Committee	SNETT Drainage and Grading - Spring Street Area	The Franklin and Bellingham Rail Trail Committee will use this grant to correct a drainage and grading issue on the Southern New England Trunkline Trail (SNETT) at Spring Street in Franklin where the SNETT crosses the street about 0.7 miles east of the proposed Prospect Street underpass, there exists an approximate 300-foot portion of trail that is poorly drained. This area often creates a barrier for use by wheelchair, an inconvenience to pedestrians, and a dangerous surface condition for bikers. This project will correct the issue by regrading and resurfacing as well as clearing brush for better user visibility and safety when crossing Spring Street.	Construction	Non-Motorized/Diverse	\$10,400.00	\$3,760.00
Groton and Townsend	Squannacook Greenways, Inc.	Squannacook River Rail Trail	The Squannacook River Rail Trail is an approximately 3.7-mile multi-use trail to be constructed along the MBTA right of way in Townsend and Groton, Massachusetts. Squannacook Greenways plans to build the rail trail over three years. The specific project proposed in this grant application is to build the beginning one-third of the rail trail by removing trails and ties and installing an aggregate surface over approximately 1.1 miles.	Construction	Shared-Use Path	\$100,000	\$54,300
Hanson	Town of Hanson	Bay Circuit Trail Relocation	This project will create a new recreational foot trail on town-owned land, previously the site of Plymouth County Hospital. It will enable the relocation of nearly a mile of the Bay Circuit Trail off of busy roadways and into 50 acres of forest and meadow. The trail will improve public access and enjoyment of this scenic open space, and will be compatible with passive recreation that is envisioned for other parts of the property in the future.	Construction	Non-Motorized/Diverse	\$100,000.00	\$30,410.00
Hawley	Buckland Riders Snowmobile Club	Singing Brook Farm Trail Improvement	The Buckland Riders Snowmobile Club will utilize these grant funds to add a track-equipped UTV and 6-foot groomer to its snow grooming fleet. The club steadily works on its existing trail network both on private and public lands to widen trails to a minimum of 6 feet, and preferable 10 feet where possible. This has been completed on over 90% of its trails. The matching volunteer work for this grant will accomplish clearing and widening of the Potash Hill Road Trail (East/West Trail) and the corresponding North/South trail located in the Singing Brook Farm Conservation Area, bordering a section of the Dubuque State Forest.	Maintenance	Motorized	\$49,354.00	\$14,536.40
Hawley, Plainfield, Savoy, and Windsor	Savoy Kanary Kats Snowmobile Club	Groomer Maintenance Items, Bridge Redeck Material, UTV Trail Maintenance Vehicle	The Savoy Kanary Kats Snowmobile Club requests this grant to help the club meet its maintenance priorities and responsibilities for the trails within the towns of Savoy, Windsor, Plainfield, and Hawley. Funds will allow for the purchase of a Mahindra UTV, yearly oil and filter service for grooming equipment, hydraulic drive pump replacement and track belts for one groomer, and a hot water pressure washer for cleaning equipment. In addition, the grant funds will be used to replace the decking for three existing bridges increasing safe crossing at each.	Maintenance Equipment Purchase	Motorized	\$46,851.00	\$20,300.00