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Groton Community Preservation Committee
Groton Town Hall
173 Main Street
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RE: Squannacook River Rail Trail Project
Squannacook Greenways

Dear Members of the Community Preservation Committee,

On behalf of the Groton Select Board, I am writing to you to express the support of the Board for the Squannacook Greenways application to permit the next section of the Squannacook River Rail Trail (SRRT). This 2.1-mile extension, which will stretch from the Bertozzi Wildlife Management Area to Cutler Field, promises to be a valuable addition to Groton.

The proposed trail extension along the scenic Squannacook River holds immense potential for both recreational and ecological benefits. The Squannacook River Rail Trail extension will undoubtedly enhance the quality of life for residents and visitors alike. The Board commends Squannacook Greenways for their dedication to continuing this project. They have demonstrated their commitment to maintaining the delicate balance between recreation and conservation.

The Squannacook River Rail Trail extension will not only provide an opportunity for individuals to connect with nature but also contribute to the overall recreation opportunities in Groton. Squannacook Greenways has proven time and again their commitment to enhancing the quality of life for residents. Their tireless efforts have already resulted in the successful completion of previous trail sections, which have been met with overwhelming support and enthusiasm.

Squannacook Greenways has made great progress in the development of the SRRT and this application will continue this development. The Board strongly encourages you to look favorably on this CPA application so this recreational asset can continue to grow.

Sincerely,

Mark W. Haddad
Town Manager

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Cc: Select Board
Squannacook Greenways