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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capital  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting \$5 million for the Rock Island Trail State Park Security and Development project in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Missouri Department of Natural Resources at 1101 Riverside Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65102.

The funding would be used to convert the former rail line into a safe and accessible multi-use public trail, including to construct trail surface, convert bridges and tunnels for trail use, and develop trailheads in communities along the trail corridor.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars because it will expand opportunities for visitors to participate in family-friendly outdoor recreation and increase economic development for over 22 rural communities across central Missouri.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

  
Blaine Luetkemeyer  
Member of Congress