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Guidelines & Application for the Hudson River Valley Greenway Water Trail Grant Program

A. Background:

The Hudson River Valley Greenway was established by New York State through the Greenway Act of 1991. Since then, the Greenway has been committed to the preservation, enhancement and development of the world-renowned scenic, natural, historic, cultural and recreational resources of the Hudson River Valley, that is also consistent with economic development goals and the tradition of municipal home rule.

In order to assist with realizing these goals, the Greenway is charged with completing a Hudson River Valley Greenway Trail System. One component of that system is the “Hudson River Greenway Water Trail Program.” This program provides financial and technical assistance to site owners to help complete the Hudson River Water Trail. The Greenway Council has been designated the management entity for this program.

Launch and campsite owners located along the Hudson River and within the designated Greenway Area and who are, or wish to become, a part of the water trail system are eligible to participate in the program. Site owners can undertake a variety of projects under this program. The following is a general list of projects that may be funded or provided technical assistance and is intended to provide only general guidance for applicants:

- Standardized on-site interpretive kiosks, including information about local businesses and cultural attractions, hotels, bed and breakfasts, and campgrounds.
- Standardized site identification flags.
- Additional parking and restroom facilities at some boat launches.
- Potable water.
- Creation of new launches or campsites.

B. The First Step: Becoming a Designated Greenway Water Trail Site:

The first step in becoming a Greenway Water Trail Site and becoming eligible for this grant program is for the landowner to submit a letter of request to become a designated Water Trail Site. A Greenway staff member will meet with the local landowner for a site visit. Following the site visit the local landowner submits a trail designation application, and SEQR forms. Technical assistance from the Greenway is available in filling out these forms. The request is then forwarded to the Greenway Board for approval.

C. Grant Program General Guidelines:

- Projects must be located along the Hudson River and in the designated Greenway Area, which includes the riverfront municipalities located within the following counties: Albany, Columbia, Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rensselaer, Rockland, Ulster and Westchester; municipalities in Greene County outside of the Catskill Park; the Village and Town of Waterford in Saratoga County and the Hudson River waterfront in the Bronx and New York counties.
- Maximum State grant = 50% of the total project cost.
- Capital and some associated costs **only** are eligible for reimbursement under this program.
- Local match may be provided as in-kind services or other non-monetary contributions.
- Mileage is not reimbursable but may be used for local match.
- A work program for each phase of funding, with projected costs and an estimated timeline for completion, must be submitted and approved by the Greenway prior to the awarding of any grant funding. If a project involves the development of a plan or similar product, final disbursement of funding will not be made until the plan is completed in final form and adopted by the governing body of the relevant municipality.
- Greenway Communities and Greenway Compact Communities will receive a higher ranking.



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PART A – APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Lead Applicant: _____ Co-Applicant 1: _____
 Federal ID#: _____ Federal ID#: _____
 Co-Applicant 2: _____ Co-Applicant 3: _____
 Federal ID#: _____ Federal ID#: _____

2. Chief Elected Official & Lead Contact Person Information

Chief Elected Official: (Supervisor/Mayor/County Executive)	Lead Contact Person (if different):
_____	_____
Mailing Address:	Mailing Address:
_____	_____
_____	_____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____	Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Email: _____	Email: _____

PART B – GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

1. Project Name: _____

2. Project Location: County/Countries: _____
 City/Town/Village(s): _____
 Site Address: _____

3. Project Costs: Total Cost: _____; Greenway Funds Requested: _____
 Local Match: _____; Other Funding: _____

3. Applicant’s Interest in Property (e.g. own, lease, easement, etc.): _____

4. Park Projects: Amount in municipal “money in Lieu of parkland” fund: \$ _____
[NY Town § 277(4) (c). Parallel provisions in Village Law 7-730 (4) and City Law § 33 (4) (c)]
 Amount from the fund that will be contributed to this project: \$ _____

5. SEQRA Status: Is the proposed project a Type 1, Type 2 or Unlisted Action? _____
 Has there been a Determination of Significance? _____
 If so, what is the determination? _____

PART C – PROJECT DESCRIPTION & CONSISTENCY WITH GREENWAY GOALS

1. Project Description:
 - (a) With no more than 100 words, describe the project, its purpose and location, the need and what will result when the project is completed. You may provide this descriptive information in an attachment. Feel free also to attach photographs, maps, renderings, etc.

2. Consistency with Greenway Criteria: Briefly describe how the proposed project is consistent with the five Greenway criteria, as listed below, and “check” the applicable categories:
 - _____ Natural and Cultural Resource Protection – Protect, preserve, and enhance natural resources, including natural communities, open spaces, cultural and historic resources, scenic roads and scenic areas.
 - _____ Regional Planning – Applicants working together to develop mutually beneficial regional strategies for natural and cultural resource protection, economic development, public access and heritage and environmental education.
 - _____ Economic Development – Encourage economic development compatible with the preservation and enhancement of natural and cultural resources including agriculture, tourism, and the revitalization of established community centers and waterfronts.
 - _____ Public Access – Promote increased public access to the Hudson River through the creation of riverside parks and the development of the Hudson River Valley Greenway Trail System.
 - _____ Heritage and Environmental Education – Promote awareness among residents and visitors about the Valley’s natural, cultural, scenic and historic resources.

3. Intermunicipal collaborative effort (If applicable): Briefly describe how the proposed project is consistent with the Greenway goals of regional planning and intermunicipal collaborative efforts.

PART D – WORK PROGRAM & BUDGET SUMMARY

- 1. **Work Program:** Briefly list the proposed work program, by task or phase, associated with the project to be funded under this grant request. Additionally, provide the associated cost of each task and/or phase. You may provide this information through an attachment.

- 2. **Budget Summary:** Please identify the proposed Capital and certain costs associated with the project: You may provide this information through an attachment.

Local Match Documentation:

In-kind services (salaries, wages, travel/mileage):

Salaries: _____

Wages: _____

Mileage: _____

Other (please specify): _____

TOTAL: _____

Land Acquisition: _____

Construction: _____

Equipment/ Supplies/ Materials (Please specify):

Contractual/Professional Services: _____

TOTAL: _____

PART E - APPROVED MUNICIPAL RESOLUTIONS & CERTIFICATION

- 1. Grant Request Resolution: Please attach an approved municipal resolution requesting the proposed grant funding.

- 2. Elected Official Certification: Please read and sign the following:
“I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that information provided on this form and attached statements and exhibits is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. False statements made herein are punishable as a Class A misdemeanor pursuant to Section 210.45 of the Penal law.”

Applicant Name: _____ Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____