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PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM

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Submission Date:

October 5, 2023

Group or Committee Affiliation (if any): Town of Sudbury
Planning & Community Development

Applicant Address:

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Purpose (please select all that apply):

- Open Space & Recreation
- Community Housing
- Historic Resource

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Project Name: Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Phase 3 - Design and Construction

Project Description: Please see attached description

Costs:

Fiscal Year	Total Project Cost	CPC Funds Requested	Other Funding Sources (Amount and Source)
2025	\$1,240,000	\$250,000	prior ATMs (\$1,000,000+/-) and MassTrails (\$192,000)
2026			
2027			
2028			
2029			
Total			

How does this project meet the General Criteria and Category Specific Criteria for Community Preservation Committee projects (see attached)?

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Does this project fall within the jurisdiction or interest of other Town Boards, Committees, Commissions, or Departments? If so, please list the boards, committees, commissions, or departments, whether applications and/or presentations have been made, and what input or recommendations have been given.

Select Board and prior year Town Meeting votes have prioritized completion of this project. The Conservation Commission, Park & Recreation Commission, Planning Board, and Rail Trails Advisory Committee will have input into any final design of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail. Creation and extension of this trail, and amenities, are priorities consistent with the recommendations of the Town's Master Plan.

For Community Preservation Committee Use:

Form Received On: _____

Project Presented to CPC On: _____

Reviewed By: _____

Determination: _____

FY 2025 Community Preservation Committee Application Form
Attachment Project Description
Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Phase 3 – Design and Construction

Project Description

Summary: The Town of Sudbury seeks additional CPA funds to continue advancing the design and construction of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT) Phase 3, extending south of the intersection with the Mass Central Rail Trail to Eaton Road West just inside the Framingham city line.

The Town (staff and committee members) is currently working with design engineering consultants, Fuss & O’Neill, to begin the 25% design phase of this final 1.4 mile portion of the BFRT, which is expected to be completed by June 30, 2024 and submitted to MassDOT for review and comment. After the 25% plan review, the next phase of design will be underway to continue design to the final Plan, Specification and Estimate (PS&E) phase, after which MassDOT will be responsible to advertise the project for construction.

Fuss & O’Neill completed a “Feasibility Study for the Bruce Freeman Rail Phase 3 Extension” in June 2023, which is available on the Town’s website under the Rail Trail Advisory Committee page. That study provides an “anticipated construction cost” of \$1,240,000 for Design/Permitting using the recommended alternative for crossing Boston Post Road/Route 20 (an at grade signalized crossing). The Town has approximately \$1,000,000 available through prior year appropriations, Community Preservation funds, and the 2023 MassTrails grant toward this design/permitting effort but some of these funds may be needed toward current construction of the BFRT Phase 2D (for desired amenities that may be outside of the MassDOT scope – such as additional plantings, wayfinding signage, additional benches and bike racks, etc.). This application requests additional funds that will allow completion of the design/permitting as envisioned. The Town will also seek additional funds through grants or funding awards as the project design is underway.

How does this project meet the General Criteria and Category Specific Criteria for Community Preservation Committee projects?

The following General Criteria are applicable to this project:

- Is eligible for Community Preservation Act (CPA) funding according to the requirements described in the CPA legislation;
- Is consistent with the Town’s Master Plan, Open Space and Recreation Plan, Land Use Priorities Committee Report, Town-wide Comprehensive Facility Study, Community

Housing Plan, and other planning documents that have received wide scrutiny and input and have been adopted by the Town;

- Receives the endorsement by other municipal boards and/or departments;
- Preserves the essential character of the town as described in the Master Plan;
- Leverages additional public and/or private funds.

The following Open Space criteria are applicable to this project:

- Provides opportunities for passive recreation and environmental education;
- Provides connections with existing trails or potential trail linkages;
- Preserves (or develops for recreation) a parcel identified in the 2009-2013 Open Space and Recreation Plan.

The following Recreation criteria are applicable to this project:

- Supports multiple recreation uses;
- Serves a significant number of residents;
- Expands the range of recreational opportunities available to Sudbury residents of all ages;
- Jointly benefits Conservation Commission and Park & Recreation Commission initiatives by promoting passive recreation, such as hiking, biking, and cross-country skiing on Town-owned property;
- Promotes the creative use of railway and other corridors to create safe and healthy non-motorized transportation opportunities.