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To whom it may concern,

I am writing you regarding the removal of CIP funding for our trails. The removal of these funds deeply troubles me and I believe it should trouble you as well. The trails around the La Crosse area are what makes this area so desirable and a joy to live in. The trails benefit our entire community in many ways. They provide a free and healthy way to get outdoors and de-stress, while staying in this community. They also have a huge impact on our local economy. The trail systems bring in many tourists from all over the world, who then spend money at our local shops. I work in the hospital system. I have personally spoken to many physicians from all specialties who have cited the trail systems here in La Crosse as the reason they were attracted to the area. They have chosen to work in our hospital, bring their families to our school districts, and their money to our community because of the outdoor recreation that La Crosse provides. This would not be possible without our amazing trail systems. I am asking you to please support funding for the trails in the CIP.

Thank you.

Anja Drogseth