

# MAD RIVER VALLEY PLANNING DISTRICT

February 10, 2011

Cheryl King Fischer, Executive Director  
New England Grassroots Environment Fund  
P.O. Box 1057  
Montpelier, VT 05601

Re: NEGEF Sustainable Communities Fund | Mad River Path Association

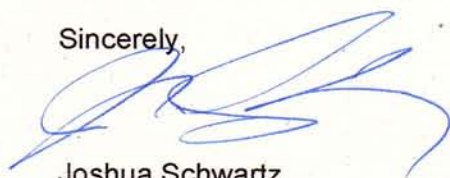
Dear Cheryl King Fischer,

Please be advised that the Mad River Valley Planning District wholeheartedly supports the Mad River Path Association's application to the New England Grassroots Environmental Fund's Small Grants program.

The MRPA is a dynamic organization playing a critical role in providing recreation opportunities to Mad River Valley residents and visitors. MRPA has developed strong partnerships with a host of residents and community entities, which has served as a cornerstone for its success in developing a rich and vital multi-jurisdictional and multi-modal resource. The requested funds will permit the MRPA to create interpretive signage and materials that will build a sense of place along the Path, exploring and sharing the cultural and natural history of the community and landscape through which the Path travels. This will greatly enrich the experience of Path users and will serve to foster greater appreciation for and a desire to conserve the natural and cultural wealth of the Valley.

The Mad River Valley Planning District is proud of the work of the Mad River Path Association and sees this application as way to further increase the value of this important recreation resource.

Sincerely,



Joshua Schwartz  
Executive Director

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*Representing the Vermont Towns of Fayston, Waitsfield and Warren*

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