



## 2024 Trail Stewardship Program Scoring Criteria

### ***Project Location***

The proposed project location is described in detail to include information about the city and/or county in which the work will take place, as well as the land ownership category and listed landowner approval. The physical attributes of the work, including length, width, surface type, location, and seasonal use are also described. If a project is requesting funds for maintenance or improvement activities, information about the current condition of the trail(s) or facilities are included, as well as maps and photographs.

### ***Project Benefits***

*Recreation Benefits:* The application describes the intended recreational benefits of this project and how specific user groups will experience enhanced recreational opportunities and access to the outdoors.

*Partnership Benefits:* The application describes the intended benefits that will result from local and/or regional partnerships, and how the formation of these partnerships will promote public access and resource stewardship.

*Community & Economic Benefits:* The application describes the intended community and economic benefits that will result from the work and provides data and/or information to support such claims.

*Environmental Benefits:* The application describes how the project will benefit the local environment by reducing negative impacts to natural resources and references supporting materials and/or research reports.

### ***Project Implementation Plan***

The application aligns with an existing goal or strategy defined within a local, state, or federal plan or published report. The proposed project has articulated a realistic timeline for implementing multiple project phases and has provided a list of practical tasks that will monitor the progress of implementation. The qualifications of the workforce are described in detail and the listed skills and ability match the needs of the proposed project. All long-term maintenance needs have been expressed, and a plan to sustain project gains following the completion of the grant contract is demonstrated.

### ***TSP Project Budget & Narrative***

A detailed budget outlines the applicant's funding request and aligns with the technical needs of the project. The budget narrative describes in detail how the requested funds will be spent and distributed. The cash match and in-kind narrative describes in detail how the organization is invested in the successful completion of the project.

