



## Montana Trail Stewardship Grant Program

### ELIGIBLE/INELIGIBLE PROJECT TYPES AND ACTIVITIES

Not all activities are eligible for MTSGP reimbursement or match. The following is a list of eligible and ineligible project types.

#### Eligible Project Types

- ▶ Development of urban trail linkages near homes and workplaces
- ▶ Providing features to assist individuals with disabilities
- ▶ Construction of new trails and shared-use paths
- ▶ Rehabilitation and maintenance of existing trails and shared-use paths, including grooming of trails for motorized and nonmotorized winter recreation
- ▶ Construction and maintenance of trailside and trailhead facilities, including but not limited to bridges, fencing, parking, bathrooms, latrines, picnic shelters, interpretation, trail signs, and trailside weed management
- ▶ Restoration of areas damaged by trail use
- ▶ Trail projects on routes legally designated or otherwise appropriately approved by the land managing agency
- ▶ Trail projects on trails that are not currently under litigation in a court of law

#### Ineligible Project Types

- ▶ Purchase of equipment (an article of nonexpendable, tangible property having a useful life of more than five years and with an acquisition cost that exceeds \$1,000)
- ▶ Development of trail information and ethics education programs/materials
- ▶ Acquisition of easements and property for trails
- ▶ Facilities (shelters, toilets, picnic tables, benches, etc.) located in park or other settings which are not clearly and solely for the benefit of trail users (versus an enhancement for park users)
- ▶ Feasibility studies and planning
- ▶ Law enforcement activities
- ▶ Maintenance or storage of equipment, including winter grooming equipment
- ▶ Purchase of materials for equipment
- ▶ Weed management outside of an established trail corridor
- ▶ Projects managed as profit-making entities
- ▶ Trail projects on routes not legally designated by the appropriate land managing agency
- ▶ Projects that displace fish and wildlife species, reduce habitat effectiveness, cause irreparable damage to vegetation, soils, water, and wild public lands, and/or substantially increase conflicts
- ▶ Trails, or any project pertaining to that trail, currently under litigation in a court of law
- ▶ Projects that have the potential to substantially alter legal use patterns or make the trail substantially less desirable for the spectrum of current users
- ▶ Projects unrelated to a trail or a shared-use path
- ▶ Work involving a water trail that has not been designated