

Nature in Neighborhoods
Regional Trails Grants
2015



Nature in Neighborhoods grants



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Funded by local option levy

Conservation Education

Restoration and Stewardship

Trails

*Funded by 2006 natural areas bond
measure*

Capital grants



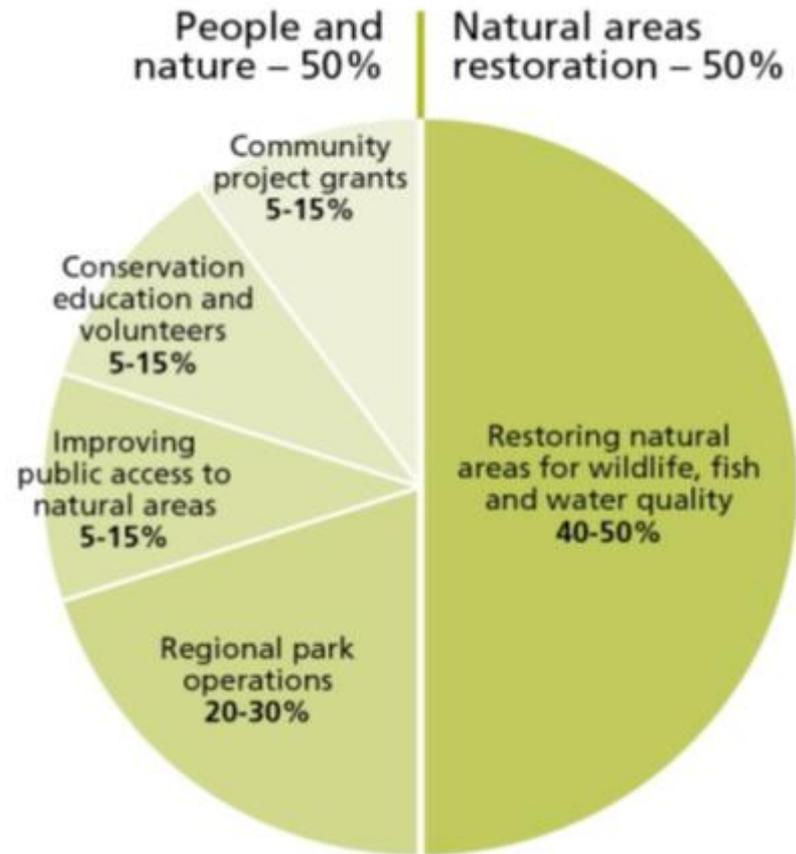


2013 Parks and Natural Areas Levy

Parks and natural areas levy



Where levy funds go
All percentages are approximate



Nature in Neighborhoods grants



Connect people to their watershed
Preserve and restore habitat

Support conservation initiatives



Expand nature education

Connect underserved communities
with nature and nature education



Support regional trails plan



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Small grants –

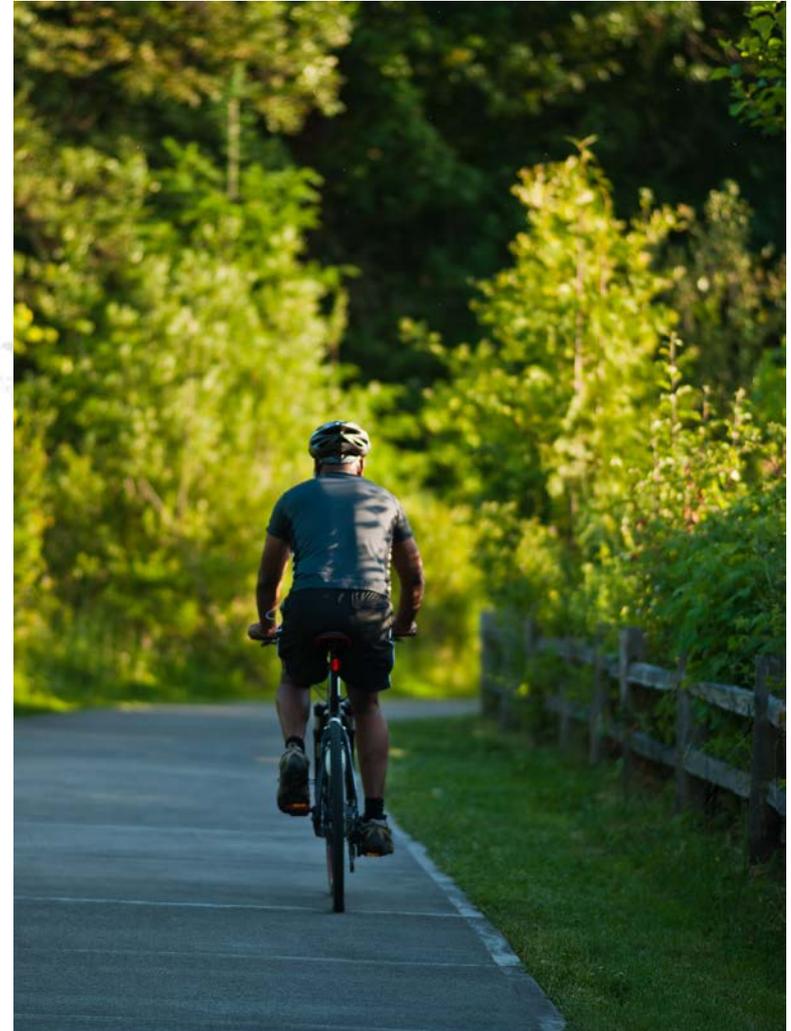
up to \$25,000

Large grants –

up to \$100,000

\$500,000 available

in 2015-2016



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Who may apply?

Non profits

Service and community-based organizations

Local governments

Park and special districts

Religious organizations

Individuals



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Program

Address program goals

Three partners - minimum

Small grants - complete projects
within 24 months

Larger grants – complete projects
within 36 months



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Financial

1:1 match

First year funding match must be secured at time of final application

Metro funds cannot be match

Overhead costs up to 10 percent



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Location

Regional Trails

On publically-owned or land dedicated to trail purposes

Landowner permission at the time of final application

Benefit Metro-area residents



Regional Trails Plan

Regional trails and greenways

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June 2014

- Existing Pedestrian Trail
- Planned Pedestrian Trail
- Existing Multi-use Trail
- Planned Multi-use Trail
- On-street Connection
- Proposed Trail
- Water Trail
- Greenway
- Parks and Natural Areas



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Purpose:

- implement the Regional Trails Plan
- support and create partnerships in local communities
- improve water quality, fish and wildlife habitat
- improve the ability of all communities to learn about and connect with nature



Regional Trails Grants goals

Category 1:

- Increase access to nature for Regional Trail users

Category 2:

- Increase nature as part of our Regional Trails system

Goal of public engagement:

- Improve the ability of *all* communities to learn about, help restore, experience and connect with nature and the region's natural areas through Regional Trails

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Category 1:

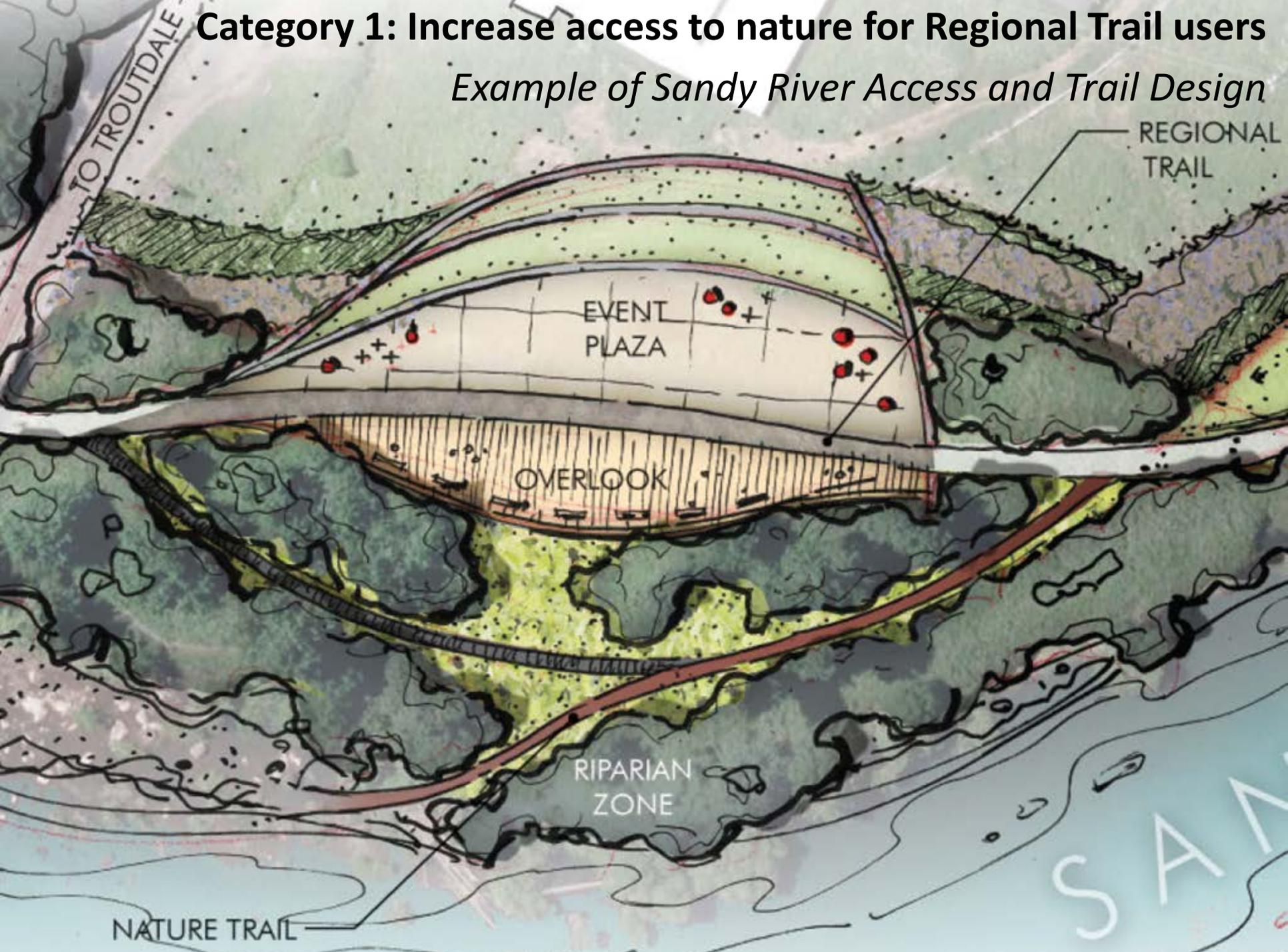
Examples of eligible projects

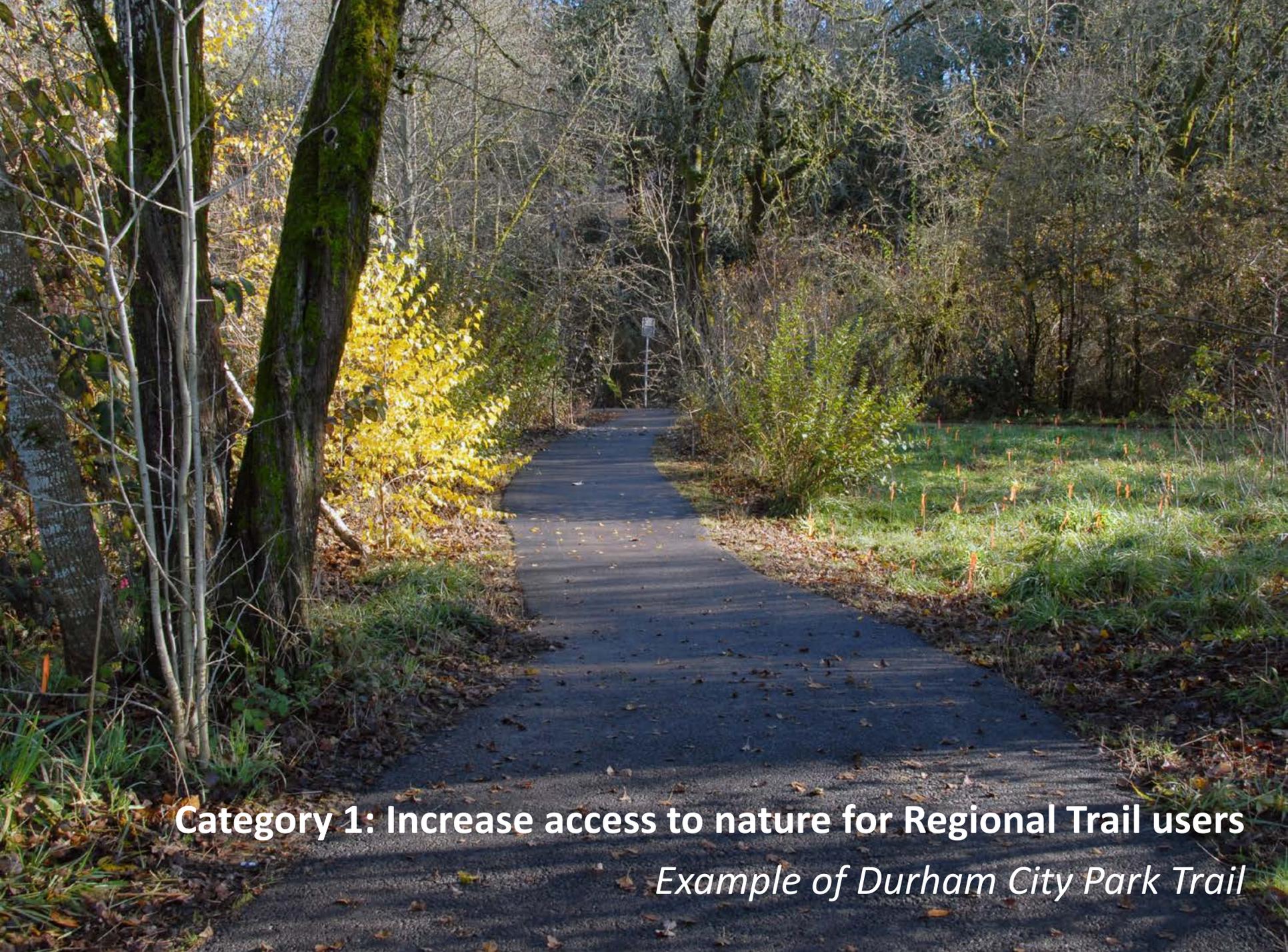
- planning
- design and engineering
- feasibility studies
- permits
- trail construction
- acquisition of trail easements



Category 1: Increase access to nature for Regional Trail users

Example of Sandy River Access and Trail Design





Category 1: Increase access to nature for Regional Trail users

Example of Durham City Park Trail

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Category 2:

Examples of eligible projects

- tree planting
- habitat restoration
- creation of pollinator habitat
- fish or wildlife passage improvements
- interpretive signs
- outreach
- communications
- volunteer engagement

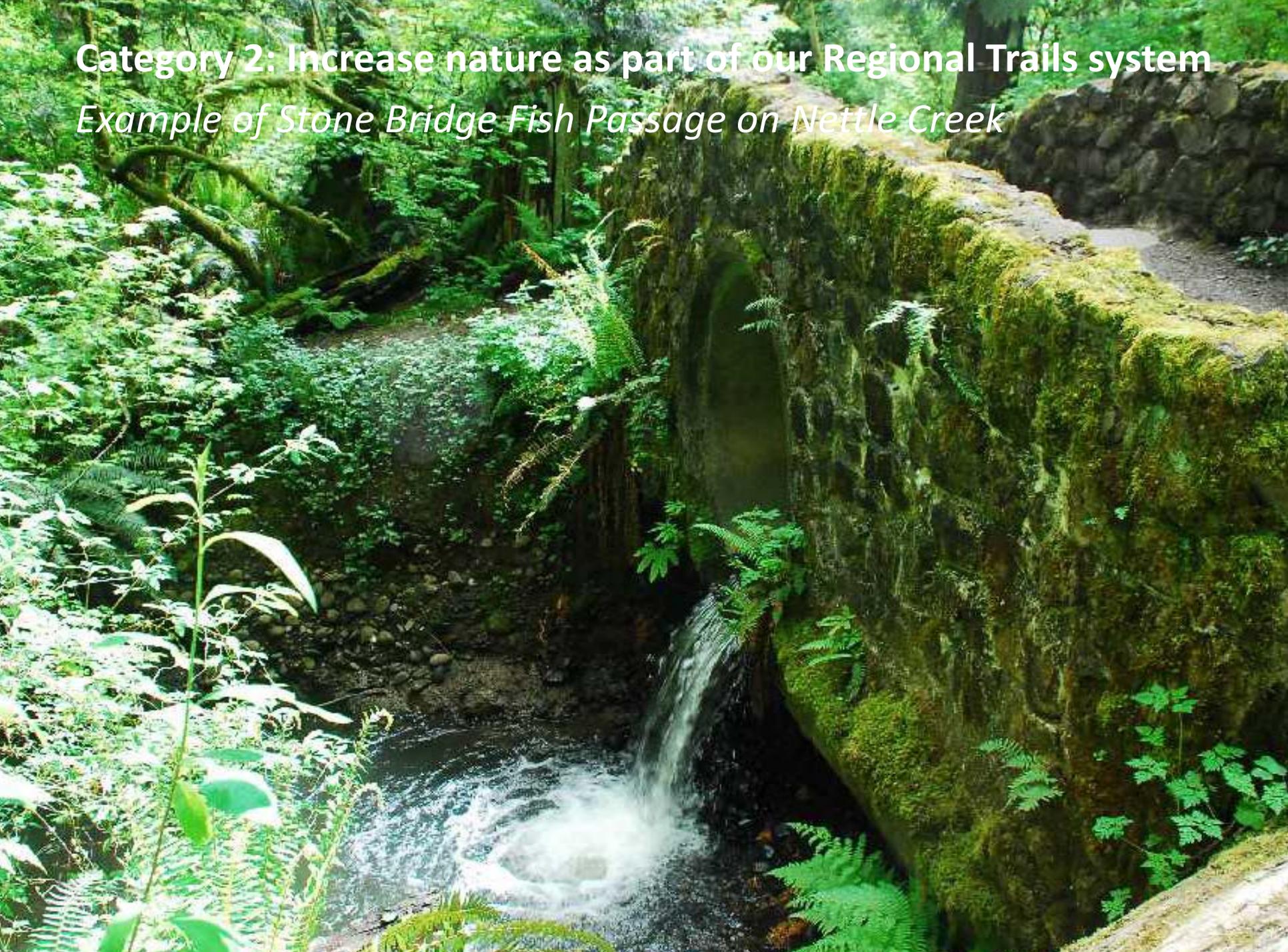




Category 2: Increase nature
as part of our Regional Trails system
Example of Greening Interstate 205

Category 2: Increase nature as part of our Regional Trails system

Example of Stone Bridge Fish Passage on Nettle Creek



*Example of Stone Bridge
Fish Passage on
Nettle Creek*



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Schedule

Materials available July 2015

One-on-one meetings Oct. 26-30, 2015

Pre-applications due Nov. 3, 2015

Full application due January 2016

Grant awards Spring 2016

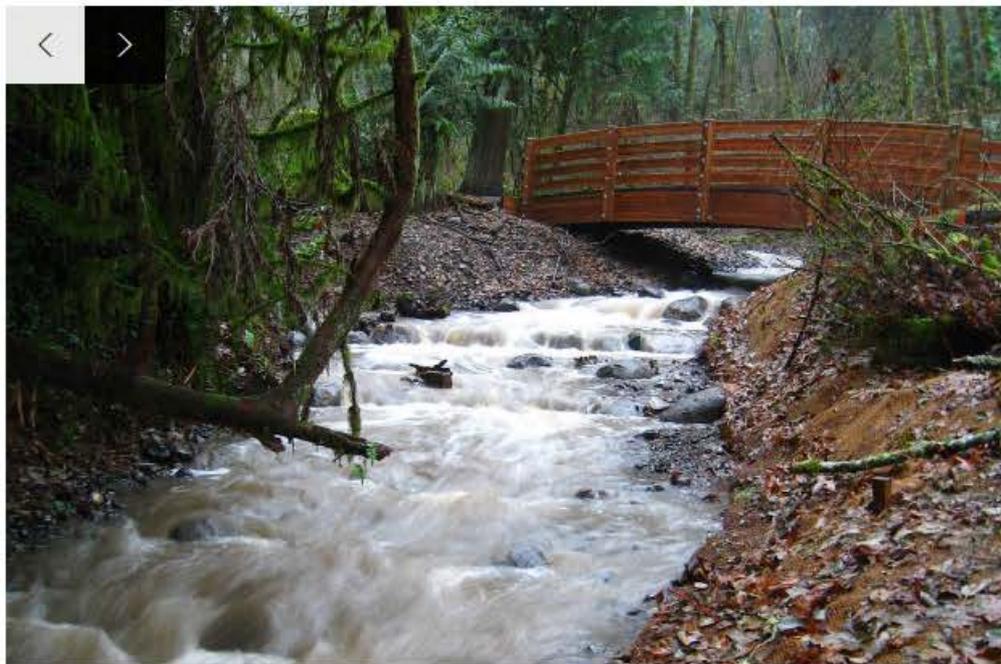
Funds available Spring 2016



Nature in Neighborhoods trails grants

Grants and resources	-
Nature grants	-
Capital grants	+
Conservation education grants	
Restoration grants	
Trails grants	
Community enhancement grants	+
Enterprising Places grants	+
Community planning and development grants	
Travel options grants	+
Regional flexible funding for transportation projects	
Transit-Oriented Development Program	
Neighborhood cleanup matching grants	+
Guides and tools	+
Data Resource Center	+

Increase opportunities for hiking, biking and walking to parks and natural areas in your community with help from a regional trails grant.



Tryon Creek Watershed Council
 Preserve a regional trail connection by replacing Stone Bridge threatened by erosion
\$47,000
 Nature in Neighborhoods Capital Grant (2013)

Metro Nature in Neighborhoods grants provide opportunities to plan, restore and build regional trails that increase access to parks and natural areas for people and improve the quality of the natural resources associated with regional trails in the Portland metropolitan area.

In 2015, \$500,000 is available for regional trails grants. Apply for a small grant up to \$25,000 or a large grants up to \$100,000.

APPLY NOW

Applications must be submitted online. Set up an account and submit your application by 4 p.m. on Nov. 3, 2015.

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Deadline 11/3/2015

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Description

Minimum qualifications

Grants purpose, categories and goals

2015 Nature in Neighborhoods Regional Trails Grants Pre-Application Handbook

Contact Admin

Announcements

Description [\[hide this\]](#)

For nearly two decades, Metro has provided grants for habitat restoration, conservation education and other projects that connect people to nature close to home. Funding for Nature in Neighborhoods community grants has more than doubled thanks to voter approval of Metro's 5-year local option levy in 2013. The levy includes approximately \$3.7 million in grants for conservation education (\$1.6 million), restoration (\$1.6 million), and Regional Trails (\$500,000).

During the one grant cycle in 2015, funding for regional trails grants is set at \$500,000. Regional trails grants may be small grants (maximum of \$25,000) or larger grants (maximum of \$100,000).

2015 Nature in Neighborhoods Regional Trails Grants Pre-Application Handbook [\[hide this\]](#)

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Organization, project and contact information

(answers are saved automatically when you move to another field)

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Please use the form below to provide organizational and contact information.

Provide a preliminary budget estimate of the requested funding and match. A 1:1 funding match is required. In-kind services, donations of materials and volunteer time can all be counted as match.

Project Name

Amount Requested

Up to \$25,000 or up to 100,000

\$

Estimated Match

\$

Additional Contacts for this Application
(ONLY Email addresses separated by
comma. No names. No titles. No phone
numbers.)

Applicant Information

First Name

Last Name

Telephone

Email

Organization Information

(changes to this data will be reflected on all other applications for this organization)

Organization Name

Address 1

Address 2

City

State/Province

Map US

Project Summary

1. Provide a short summary that describes your project.

This 255 character project summary serves as a short, stand-alone description of the project to be used to inform people who will not be reading the full application.

Maximum characters: 255. You have characters left.

2. Project Length

- One year
- Up to two years
- Up to three years

3. Category

Under which program category does your project best fit?

- Increasing access to nature for Regional Trail users
- Increasing nature as part of our Regional Trails system

4. Fiscal Agent

If different than the lead organization.

Maximum characters: 255. You have characters left.

5. Project Partners

Committed partner organizations

Maximum characters: 3000. You have characters left.

Pre-Application

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Pre-Application Status

Undecided /Not Submitted

[Ask a Pre-Application Question](#)

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Organizational preparedness (one page maximum)

1. Explain why and how your organization and/or your partners have the experience and capacity to conduct the project (e.g. planning, implementation, reporting and outreach), including key personnel, their roles and their qualifications.

See 2015 Nature in Neighborhoods Regional Trails Pre-Application Handbook for guidance and details.

Maximum characters: 4000. You have characters left.

Partnerships (one page maximum)

2. Show how partnerships and collaboration with other individuals, organizations and groups in your community will be formed, strengthened and extended through this project.

See 2015 Nature in Neighborhoods Regional Trails Pre-Application Handbook for guidance and details.

Goals (one page maximum)

4. Describe how the project addresses the Nature in Neighborhood trails grant's purpose, category and goals, including how the project supports regional and local initiatives.

See *2015 Nature in Neighborhoods Regional Trails Pre-Application Handbook* for guidance and details.

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Documents Requested *

Provide a location/vicinity map, including trails, parks, and/or natural areas. See the handbook for mapping resources, guidance and details.

[Download template: 2015 Nature in Neighborhood Regional Trails Grant Handbook](#)

Please fill out the attached demographic form and upload it here.

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Required?

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required

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