

**REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**HENDERSON COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**MEETING DATE:** January 7, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Water Resources Development Project Grant Program

**PRESENTER:** Timothy Hopkin

**ATTACHMENTS:** Yes  
1. Resolution

**SUMMARY OF REQUEST:**

Henderson County has been invited to submit a Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Grant for the initial planning and building of the French Broad River Greenway Initiative. This grant would look to build the initial portions of the greenway starting at Westfeldt Park. The RTP grant requires 25% match. It is possible through the submission of a Water Resources Development (WRD) Project Grant to receive the required 25% match (\$50,000.00). The application is being submitted on December 31, 2012. The WRD grant application does require a resolution from the county.

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

It is requested that the Henderson County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution to enable completing the requirements of the Water Resources Development (WRD) Project Grant.

**Suggested Motion:**

*I motion that the County Board of Commissioners adopt the attached resolution sponsoring the Water Resources Development (WRD) Project Grant for the French Broad River Greenway Initiative.*

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## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS,** the Henderson County Board of Commissioners desires to sponsor the French Broad River Greenway Initiative to initiate the planning and construction of a greenway along the French Broad River originating in Westfeldt Park. This Greenway would provide recreation opportunities along the French Broad River for hiking, fishing, birding and cycling;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

- 1) The Henderson County Board of Commissioners requests the State of North Carolina to provide financial assistance to Henderson County for the French Broad River Greenway Initiative in the amount of \$50,000.00;
- 2) The Board assumes full obligation for payment of the balance of project costs;
- 3) The Board will obtain all necessary State and Federal permits;
- 4) The Board will comply with all applicable laws governing the award of contracts and the expenditure of public funds by local governments.
- 5) The Board will supervise construction of the project to assure compliance with permit conditions and to assure safe and proper construction according to approved plans and specifications;
- 6) The Board will obtain suitable spoil disposal areas as needed and all other easements or rights-of-way that may be necessary for the construction and operation of the project without cost or obligation to the State;
- 7) The Board will assure that the project is open for use by the public on an equal basis with no restrictions;
- 8) The Board will hold the State harmless from any damages that may result from the construction, operation and maintenance of the project;
- 9) The Board accepts responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the completed project.

Adopted this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

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CHARLIE MESSER, CHAIRMAN  
HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

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TERESA L. WILSON, CLERK TO THE BOARD