

**NORTH DAKOTA**

Recreational Trails Program Advisory Committee (RTPAC) Meeting

*Preliminary Agenda and Notes*

April 22, 2024 @ 10:00 AM

**FY25 General Overview**

This year (FY25), through the Recreational Trails Program (RTP), the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department received 20 eligible applications totaling approximately \$3.5 million, with approximately \$1 million available to award. This is the highest total grant request amount and ties (FY21) for the highest number of applications ever received in the RTP.

To further evaluate these applications and assist with the ranking process, the RTP Advisory Committee (RTPAC) requested that an applicant presentation meeting be established.

The RTP applicants are given the opportunity to present and share information about their project with the board on Monday, April 22, 2024, at 10:00 AM to allow ample time to read applications ahead of time and evaluate the projects after the presentation. Each applicant will get 10 minutes to present virtually (via MS Teams) and answer any question the board may have. Breaks have not been scheduled due to the potential time we have in between presentations (if one is possibly shorter) or the time slot is not utilized by the applicant.

<b>Time</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project</b>
10:00 AM	RTPAC Board Lead - Sarah Torgerson	Introductions & Welcome
10:05 AM	Bottineau County	Carbury Dam Recreation Area Vault Toilet
10:15 AM	City of Napoleon	Napoleon Pedestrian Trail
10:25 AM	Dickinson Parks and Recreation	Crooked Crane Trail
10:35 AM	District Fargo-Moorhead Trail Builders	South River Prairie Trail
10:45 AM	Fargo Park District	Lion's Conservancy Park Trailhead
10:55 AM	Grafton Parks and Recreation Hunter	Leistikow Park Community Trail Bridge
11:05 AM	Arthur Joint Park Board Lincoln Park	Northern Cass Pass Equipment
11:15 AM	District	RTP Gravel Path Request
11:25 AM	MDHTA	MDHT Restoration & Surfacing 2024

11:35 AM	MHA Parks & Reserve	MHA Tribal National Park Trail
11:45 AM	City of Casselton	Governor's Drive Shared Use Path
11:55 AM	North Dakota Forest Service	Turtle Mountain State Forest Enhancement
12:05 PM	Pembina Gorge Foundation	Frost Fire Park All Weather Restoration
12:15 PM	Stutsman County	James Valley Water Trail
12:25 PM	NDPRD	Pembina Gorge Armoring & Widening Trail
12:35 PM	NDPRD	Fitness Trail Improvement & Wayfinding
12:45 PM	NDPRD	Little Missouri State Park Trail Restoration
12:55 PM	NDPRD	Garrison Connection Trail
1:15 PM	NDPRD & RTPAC	Final Discussions & Wrap-up

- *Please note:* Applicants will not receive notification of pre-award until mid-May. After pre-award, applications will be prepared for grant funding in the spring of 2025. It will take approximately 9 to 12 months to process applications.
- *RTPAC:* Please have the scoresheets ranked in Web Grants no later than Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM. If you have any questions about the scoring process, please feel free to contact me at [clangehaug@nd.gov](mailto:clangehaug@nd.gov) or (701) 328-5364.

### **Additional Resources:**

The new manual was released in February 2024 upon the opening of the FY25 RTP application round. It was revised in collaboration with the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA). It can be found on the NDPRD Recreational Trails Program website at

<https://www.parkrec.nd.gov/business/sites/www/files/documents/Grant%20Pictures/NDPRD%20RTP%20Manual%20-%207-28-2023%20revision.pdf>.

### **Recreational Trails Program Website –**

<https://www.parkrec.nd.gov/business/grants/recreational-trails-program>

### **Web Grants Website -** <https://grants.nd.gov/index.do>

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