## American Hiking Society • American Trails • American Motorcyclist Association • Back Country Horsemen of America • Equine Land Conservation Resource • International Mountain Bicycling Association • National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance • Partnership for the National Trails System •Rails-to-Trails Conservancy <u>+</u> the 230 Organizations and Entities Below

Chair Cole, Ranking Member Quigley and members of the subcommittee, on behalf of American Hiking Society and the millions of trail users our collective 240 organizations and entities represent who spend their time, money, and energy to get out on trails for recreation, health and wellness, and to volunteer, we thank the Committee for the opportunity to provide testimony on the importance of adequately funding our nation's trails to ensure access for all. We ask the Committee to adopt the following funding request so the federal government can continue to leverage private contributions and benefit from volunteer labor as well as provide inexpensive, healthy outdoor recreation options for your constituents and all Americans. Appropriations for trails, coupled with the significant resources provided by non-profit partners, serve to accelerate collective stewardship of our nation's public lands and waters, and enhance climate adaptability.

## **Department of Transportation Recommendation:**

Program: Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program FY25 Funding Level Requested: \$200m FY24 Enacted Level: \$45m Department: Department of Transportation Agency/Account: Federal Highway Administration/Highway Infrastructure Programs

Sincerely,

A' Tuscan Estate Bed & Breakfast Access for All, LLC Ala Kahakai Trail Association Alaska Trails American Chestnut Land Trust, Inc. American Discovery Trail Society American River Parkway Foundation American Rivers American Society of Landscape Architects Anthony Lakes Mountain Resort Anza Trail Foundation Appalachian Mountain Club Appalachian Trail Conservancy Arizona Peace Trail, Inc. Arizona Trail Association Arkansas Parks and Recreation Foundation Back Country Horsemen of New Mexico Back Country Horsemen of Oregon Back Country Horsemen of Texas Back Country Horsemen of Utah -Southwest Chapter Front Range Back Country Horsemen Gila Chapter Back Country Horsemen Northern Colorado Back Country Horsemen Rocky Mountain Back Country Horsemen Bay Area Ridge Trail Council Beaver Island Archipelago Trail Association Bike Walk RVA Bitter Root Cultural Heritage Trust / ga' ánin 'ískit [respect the trail] Black Canyon National Recreation Trail Blue Ridge Horseman's Association

Bonneville Shoreline Trail Committee Buffalo Bayou Trail Coalition California Mountain Biking Coalition CalWild **Capital Trails Coalition** Cascade Volunteers Central Oregon Trail Alliance (COTA) Chamber of Commerce of Smyth County Inc Chautaugua County Partnership for Economic Growth Cincinnati Off-Road Alliance City of Clarksville Parks and Recreation City of Fitchburg City of Glendale, Trails & Open Space Program City of Hot Springs- Parks & Trails Clear Trails Colfax Greenway Committee Colorado Mountain Bike Association Community Land Shepherds Concerned Off-Road Bicyclists Association Conservation Lands Foundation Conservation Minnesota Continental Divide Trail Coalition The Corps Network County Line Riders of Catalina, Inc Cross New Hampshire Adventure Trail Cycle Yamhill County Cyclotour Guide Books **DIG Studios** Delaware River Greenway Partnership Desperados Trail Scouts **Dickinson County Trails Board** 

Eagle Rock Shredders Eagle Summit Wilderness Alliance East Coast Greenway Alliance Elkins Creek Horse Camp & Tack Shop LLC Elkins Creek Horse Club Enchanted Circle Trails Association Endangered Species Coalition Evansville-Area Trails Coalition. Inc. Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance Foothills Rails-to-Trails Coalition Forest Preserve District of DuPage County, IL ForeverGreen Trails Fort Wayne Trails Inc. Friends of Chessie Trail Friends of Constitution Park Ossipee Friends of Douglas-fir National Monument Jason Grodman Jodie Adams Friends of the Columbia Gorge Friends of the North Pikes Creek Wetlands Gilmer County Economic Development Association Greater Hells Canyon Council - Blue Mountains Trail Groundwork NRG Headwaters Trails Alliance Health by Design Higher Ground USA, Inc. Ice Age Trail Alliance Illinois Association of Snowmobile Clubs IMBA Team Dirt Chapter Intentional Hiking

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Iron Ore Heritage Recreation Authority Klickitat Trail Conservancy Kline Consulting LLC The Landing LLC Legacy Trails LLC Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation Lewis and Clark Trust, Inc. Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce Love in Motion Lowelifes Respectable Citizens' Club Mac Market Maine Trail Riders Association, Inc. (Equine) Maine Trails Coalition Marin County Bicycle Coalition Mayes County HOPE Mayes County Trails Alliance Mid-Atlantic Off-Road Enthusiasts Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District Milwaukee Riverkeeper Monterev Off Road Cycling Association The Mountaineers Mountain Surf Creative Multidisciplinary Education for the Environment Nantahala Area SORBA National Coast Trail Association National Washington Rochambeau **Revolutionary Route Association** Nature Trails The Naples Trail Collective Nevada Outdoor School New Hampshire Rail Trails Coalition New Mexico Sportsmen New York Bicycling Coalition New York-New Jersey Trail Conference Newell Improvement Coalition, Inc. 501 C3 Newport Chamber of Commerce Newtown Parks and Recreation Northwest Trail Alliance Northwest Trail Riders Association Northwestern Ohio Rails-to-Trails Association, Inc. NorthWoods Stewardship Center Oakridge Trails Alliance Ohio Mountain Bike Alliance Ohio Trails Partnership **Oregon Equestrian Trails** Oregon Horse Council

Oregon Office of Outdoor Recreation Advisory Council Oregon State Snowmobile Association Oregon Trails Coalition Oregon-California Trails Association Orogenesis Collective OuterSpatial Over The Bars Mountain Bike Club Overmountain Victory Trail Association Ozark Trail Association Pacific Crest Trail Association Pacific Northwest 4-Wheel Drive Association Pelican Path Committee Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society PeopleForBikes Pike County Fiscal Court Pima Trails Association Potomac Bridle and Hiking Trails Association Prime Desert Woodland Preserve Princeton Open Space Committee **Quad Cities Bicycle Club** Red Line Parkway Initiative REI Co-op Reserve Concepts **Resilient Headwaters** Rio Grande Indivisible, New Mexico Rocky Mountain Field Institute Sage Trail Alliance San Diego Mountain Biking Association San Francisco Public works San Jose Conservation Corps San Luis Valley Great Outdoors Schaumburg & Polk, Inc. Seeds of Stewardship Seeley Trails Organization Shenandoah Valley Bicycle Coalition The Sierra Club Siskivou Upland Trails Association Sitka Trail Works Smith River Alliance Sonoran Desert Mountain Bicyclists South Coast Tours LLC Southern Kettles Off Road Riders (SKORR) Southern Nevada Mountain Bike Association Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association Southwest Montana Bike Association Southwest Montana Mountain Bike Association Stark County Bicycle Club The Street Trust

SWMMBA Tahoe Rim Trail Association Teaneck Creek Conservancy Terra-Strata, LLC Thrive Allen County Thrive Kansas TORC Town of Awendaw, SC Town of Breckenridge Open Space & Trails Trail Access Project Trail Keepers of Oregon Trail Riders of Today Trailkeepers of Oregon Trails Inspire, LLC Travel Lane County Traverse Area Recreation & Transportation (TART) Trails Tri Town Trail Trinity Coalition Truckee Meadows Trails supported by the Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation Trust for Public Land Tulevome Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County Leisure Services Department Upper Gila Watershed Alliance Urbana Park District Vail Valley Mountain Trails Alliance Ventana Wilderness Alliance The Vermont Mountain Bike Association Virginia 4 Wheel Drive Association Virginia Bicycling Federation Visit McMinnville Walk, Bike & Hike Committee, Canton, MA Wallowa Mountains Hells Canyon Trails Association Washington Area Bicyclist Association Washington Trails Association West Virginia Land Trust Western Riding Club WI Horse Council District 1 Wild Alakea The Wilderness Need Association The Wilderness Society Willamette Valley Visitors Association Wilson Creek Trail Coalition Wisconsin Non-motorized Recreation & Transportation Trails Council