

# GOODHUE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



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TO: Honorable County Commissioners  
Scott Arneson, County Administrator

FROM: Greg Isakson, Public Works Director

RE: 15 Dec 15 County Board Meeting  
**Resolution of Support - Goodhue Pioneer Trail Bond Request**  
**CONSENT AGENDA**

Date: 09 Dec 15

## Summary

It is requested that the County Board approve the attached resolution supporting the Goodhue Pioneer Trail request for State Bond funds.

## Background

The Goodhue Pioneer Trail support group is continuing their work to complete the trail through Goodhue County. Attached is a resolution requesting \$1.2 million of State Bond funds to continue construction of this State trail.

If the legislature appropriates funds for the trail, those funds will be managed by the DNR. Approving this resolution does not commit the County to match the State Bond funds, or any other financial commitment.

## Alternatives

- Approve the attached resolution as written.
- Offer revisions to the resolution before approval.
- Take no action and offer no support for this Bonding request.

## Recommendations

It is the recommendation of staff that the Board approve the attached resolution as written.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
GOODHUE COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

Date: 15 Dec 2015

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**Resolution Declaring Support of the Goodhue Pioneer Trail  
and the Provision of Capital Funding for MN State Trails**

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota's State Trails provide opportunities to link communities within and to regions of Minnesota, creating a long lasting framework for tourism and economic development, and

**WHEREAS**, trails in Minnesota are part of the solution to the long-term health costs associated with the growing problem of obesity by providing opportunities for increased physical activity within local communities, and

**WHEREAS**, trails offer a transportation alternative and a safe route for people to walk or bike to work or school complementing other investments in roads, bridges and commuter routes, and

**WHEREAS**, Goodhue County has enjoyed significant economic benefit due to the Goodhue Pioneer Trail, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2016 Legislature will have the opportunity to invest in Minnesota's tourism economy while providing solutions to long-term health costs through bi-annual bonding;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Goodhue County supports the Goodhue Pioneer Trail request for 1.2 million dollars of capital funding for land acquisition and trail improvements in Goodhue County, Minnesota.

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State of Minnesota  
County of Goodhue

Allen	Yes	___	No	___
Majerus	Yes	___	No	___
Rechtzigel	Yes	___	No	___
Anderson	Yes	___	No	___
Seifert	Yes	___	No	___

I, Scott Arneson, duly appointed, qualified and County Administrator of the County of Goodhue, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of a resolution with the original minutes of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners, Goodhue County, Minnesota at their session held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015, now on file in my office, and have found the same to be a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal at Red Wing, Minnesota, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015.

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Scott Arneson  
County Administrator