



Snohomish County

County Council

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The Honorable Secretary Buttigieg
U.S. Department of Transportation
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Re: Centennial Trail South – FY24 RCP Application

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:


We are pleased to write in support of an application submitted by Snohomish County for a grant from the Office of the Secretary of Transportation’s *Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP)* program for the Centennial Trail South project.

Snohomish County is seeking RCP funding to plan and design an extension of the Centennial Trail between the Cities of Snohomish and Woodinville. This project is a critical link between the two most significant trail systems in Snohomish and King Counties, and would connect hundreds of miles of trails and dozens of diverse communities throughout the region.

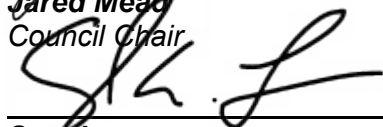
Centennial Trail South is a crucial, 12-mile link between the current Centennial Trail, a vital 30-mile shared-use trail in Snohomish County, and the Eastrail, a 30-mile active transportation and light rail corridor connecting the communities of east Lake Washington to Snohomish County. Centennial Trail South will be a transformative multi-purpose corridor providing a safe, non-motorized shared use path connecting multiple rural and urban communities across the region. A comprehensive and connected network will support recreation, link transportation, reconnect daily destinations, contribute to healthy lifestyles and local economies, conserve wildlife corridors, and provide environmentally friendly movement of people, as well as low-cost mobility options for disadvantaged communities.

Thank you for your consideration of Snohomish County’s application in support of the Centennial Trail South project. Please contact Heidi Beazizo in Council’s Office at 425-388-3493 with any questions.

Sincerely,




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Council Chair




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