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Mark Riverblood, Parks & Asst. Public Works Superintendent  
City of Ramsey  
7550 Sunwood Drive NW  
Ramsey, MN 55303

RE: 2017 Local Trail Connection Grant Program

Dear: Mark Riverblood

Thank you for submitting an application for funding to the 2017 Local Trail Connection Grant Program. We received 31 applications for trail projects with requests totaling over \$4.31 million with only a little over \$830,000 to allocate. It was challenging to select among all of the great trail projects, including yours, but unfortunately your project was not selected for funding this year. If you applied for funding through more than one program, you will receive notification from each program.

In January 2018, we will be soliciting applications for next year's funding. At that time, new applications will be available online. I encourage you to consider applying again. There are also funding opportunities through the other trail grant programs offered by the department such as the Local Trail Connection Grant Program or the Federal Recreational Trail Grant Program. The Parks and Trails Legacy Grant Program is no longer available through the DNR. Funding recommendations for parks and trails of regional significance outside the seven county metropolitan area through the parks and trails fund will now be solicited through the Greater MN Regional Parks and Trails Commission at <http://www.gmrptcommission.org/>. Please see the recreation grants page on the DNR website for more information.

If you have any questions about the process and/or the ranking of your project, please feel free to contact me. Thank you again for supporting trails in your local community and good luck in your future endeavors!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel Golner', is written above the typed name.

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