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### **Concord Awarded \$275K Grant**

#### ***Grant will help build next section of Merrimack River Greenway Trail***

**Concord, NH (November 22, 2021)** – The City of Concord was recently notified of a \$275,000 grant award from the Land and Water Conservation Fund. The grant will help build the next section of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail starting from Loudon Road and heading south along the Merrimack River toward Terrill Park.

“We are very excited to be awarded the grant as it takes us one step closer to having a connected trail along the east side of the Merrimack River from the Manchester Street Bridge to the Loudon Road Bridge,” said David Gill, Concord Parks and Recreation Director.

The City of Concord is already working with VHB of Bedford, NH for the design and permitting of this section of the trail.

“The Friends of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail will continue to work with the City of Concord to help raise the match required for the grant,” said Dick Lemieux, President of the Friends of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail. “As part of the award, there is a \$275,000 match required and the Friends of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail will help raise the match for the project.”

The City will continue working with VHB and the Friends of the Merrimack Greenway Trail to finish the design and permitting of the new section while the local matching funds are raised for the construction. Ideally, the new section of trail will be built in the summer of 2023.

For more information on the Merrimack River Greenway Trail and to donate toward the new section of the trail, please visit:

[www.merrimackrivergreenwaytrail.org/](http://www.merrimackrivergreenwaytrail.org/)