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Signed:

Barn Enterprise, Inc dba Barn's Spirits 1306 Coastal Hwy

Panacea, FL 32346

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Signed:

Best Western Plus Wakulla Inn & suites

3292 Coastal Hwy

Crawfordville, FL 32327



March 14, 2016

Dear Florida Greenways & Trails Council Members:

I am pleased to strongly support the funding of the Capital City to Sea Trails project. In my role as the Chairman of Corridor Management Entity (CME) of the Florida Big Bend Scenic Byway (BBSB), I know the importance of the regional connectivity it will provide in and around Leon County and Wakulla County. The shared-use path will intersect with existing and heavily used bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including the Historic St. Marks Trail, and create a network for both transportation and recreational use.

The CME serves as the regional board for the BBSB, which runs through Leon, Wakulla, and Franklin Counties. The Capital City to Sea Trails project will be an important historical and environmental attraction while running along a portion of our 220 mile Byway.

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Please do not hesitate to ask for further clarification of these comments or information regarding my association with the Capital City to the Sea Trails project.

Sincerely,

Del Suggs

Chairman,

Corridor Management Entity

Big Bend Scenic Byway



I am writing this letter, on behalf of Capital City Cyclists, to enthusiastically show our support for the funding of the Capital City to Sea Trails project. We believe that this trail system is deserving of funding consideration from the Florida Department of Transportation for many reasons, but primarily through the regional connectivity it will provide in and around the Capital City area. The shared-use path will intersect with existing and heavily used bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including the Historic St. Marks Trail, and create a network for both transportation and recreational use.

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Respectfully,

Brady Irwin

President - Captal City Cyclists

Tallahassee, FL 850.408.6820



March 16, 2016

Florida Greenways & Trails Council Members,

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Thank you for your time and consideration for selecting the Capital City to Sea Trails as the second Regional Trail project under the SUNTrails system.

Sincerely,

Andrew D. Gillum

Mayor, City of Tallahassee

Crum's Service, Inc. 1321 Coastal Hwy Panacea, Florida 32346 850-984-5501

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Thank you for your time and consideration for selecting the Capital City to Sea Trails as the second Regional Trail Project under the SUNTrails system.

Ronald F. Crum

President

GULF SPECIMEN MARINE LABORATORIES, INC.

a non profit/tax exempt organization

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GULF WINDS TRACK CLUB

Post Office Box 3447 Tallahassee, FL 32315 www.gulfwinds.org

Florida Greenways & Trails Council Members,

I am writing this letter on behalf of Gulf Winds Track Club. Our more than 1500 members are enthusiastic users of the terrific trail system in our city and surrounding areas. I have been authorized by the GWTC board to express the club's strong and enthusiastic support for the Capital City to Sea Trails project. We believe that this trail system is deserving of funding consideration from the Florida Department of Transportation for many reasons, but primarily because of the regional connectivity it will provide in and around the Capital City area. We understand the shared-use path will intersect with existing and heavily used bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including the Historic St. Marks Trail, and create a network for both transportation and recreational use by area residents and great opportunities for events to draw people from other areas to enjoy the unique trail.

There is no doubt our trail system greatly enhances our community health and wellness. The Capital City to the Sea Trails is an opportunity to greatly increase the health and wellness of these benefits in the surrounding community while connecting urban and natural areas in Leon County, Wakulla County, and the Apalachicola National Forest in a truly unique way. This trail system will provide an opportunity for individuals to explore North Florida's natural features from the Gulf Coast to Florida's Capital City and will support economic development through an increase of ecotourism, local business growth and government partnerships to serve the trail users.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our request for funding the Capital City to Sea Trails as the second Regional Trail Project under the SUNTrails system.

All the best, **Tony Guillen**Tony Guillen,

President GWTC



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March 16, 2016

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3800 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 795

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing this letter to enthusiastically show my support for the funding of the Capital City to Sea Trails project. I have no doubt the other members of the County Commission feel the same and will be happy to provide an official document indicating their vote.

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Thank you for your time and consideration for selecting the Capital City to Sea Trails as the second Regional Trail project under the SUNTrails system. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns. Have a great day!

Sincerely,

Bryan Desloge

National Association of Counties VP

Commissioner District IV

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Mineral Springs Seafood

1612 Coastal Highway Panacea, Florida 32346 850-984-BAIT

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Kim Williams, owner

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PANACEA WATERFRONTS FLORIDA PARTNERSHIP, INC. P. O. BOX 212 PANACEA, FLORIDA 32346

March 15, 2016

Florida Greenways & Trails Council Members,

I am writing this letter to show Panacea Waterfronts Florida Partnership support for the funding of the Capital City to Sea Trails project. The Panacea Waterfronts Florida Partnership has been a longtime supporter of trail systems in the Panacea area. For the past fourteen years we have been an advocate for the Ochlocknee Bay Bike Trail. Our goal has been to connect our community to the Ochlockonee Bay Trail. We believe that this trail system is deserving of funding consideration from the Florida Department of Transportation for many reasons, but primarily through the regional connectivity it will provide in and around the Capital City area. The shared-use path will intersect with existing and heavily used bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including the Historic St. Marks Trail, and create a network for both transportation and recreational use.

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Panacea Waterfronts Florida Partnership

Mark Mitchell, Chairman



I am writing this letter to enthusiastically show my support for the funding of the Capital City to Sea Trails project. As a business owner I believe the trail will have an economic impact on the Panacea Area. I already see a lot of bike traffic coming along Coastal Highway. The element that is missing is the safety of these cyclists as they travel. I believe that this trail system is deserving of funding consideration from the Florida Department of Transportation for many reasons, but primarily through the regional connectivity it will provide in and around the Capital City area. The shared-use path will intersect with existing and heavily used bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including the Historic St. Marks Trail, and create a network for both transportation and recreational use.

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Sherrie Miller



March 17, 2016

Florida Greenways & Trails Council Members,

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Yours truly,

Richard Woodrum COO

Rock Landing Marina, LLC



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I am a sitting county commissioner in Wakulla County first elected in 2002. Before elected to my first term I was part of a group of citizens who promoted a pedestrian/bike trail along Surf Road. During my second term, as a member of the CRTPA, I promoted a more extensive trail that is now becoming more of a reality than a vision. At that time the vision was called Capitol City to the Sea Loop. It involved a series of connecting trails that included Tallahassee, Leon County and neighboring counties. The vision had universal support of Wakulla County's neighbors.

I am writing this letter to enthusiastically show my continued support for the funding of the Capital City to Sea Trails project. I believe that this trail system is deserving of funding consideration from the Florida Department of Transportation for many reasons, but primarily through the regional connectivity it will provide in and around the Capital City area. The shared-use path will intersect with existing and heavily used bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including the Historic St. Marks Trail, and create a network for both transportation and recreational use.

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Howard Kessler, M.D.

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Florida Department of Environmental Protection Division of Recreation and Parks, Office of Greenways and Trails 3800 Commonwealth Boulevard, MS 795 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000

Attn: Florida Greenways and Trail Council Members

Dear Council Members,

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J. David Edwards

County Administrator

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Sincerely.



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WAKULLA COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

P. O. Box 1263 Crawfordville, Florida 32326 (850)926-0919 www.visitwakulla.com

March 17, 2016

Florida Greenways & Trails Council Members,

The Wakulla County Tourist Development Council (TDC) enthusiastically supports the funding of the Capital City to Sea Trails project. The TDC believes that this trail system is deserving of funding consideration from the Florida Department of Transportation for many reasons, but primarily through the regional connectivity it will provide in and around the Capital City area. The shared-use path will intersect with existing and heavily used bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including the Historic St. Marks Trail, and create a network for both transportation and recreational use.

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Sincerely,

Diane Bardhi

Outreach Coordinator

Wakulla County Tourist Development Council

Jane Batti

850-926-0919, ext. 716



March 15, 2016

Florida Greenways & Trails Council Members,

I am writing this letter to enthusiastically show Wakulla Environmental Institute's support for the funding of the Capital City to Sea Trails project. I believe that this trail system is deserving of funding consideration from the Florida Department of Transportation for many reasons, but primarily through the regional connectivity it will provide in and around the Capital City area. The shared-use path will intersect with existing and heavily used bicycle and pedestrian facilities, including the Historic St. Marks Trail, and create a network for both transportation and recreational use.

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Sincerely,

Bob Ballard

Executive Director

Tallahassee Community College Wakulla Environmental Institute