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RE: Property Owner Permission – Outdoor Recreation Trails+ Grant

To Whom It May Concern:

The City of Bayard hereby authorizes the National Center for Frontier Communities (NCFC) to apply for funding through the New Mexico Outdoor Recreation Division's Outdoor Recreation Trails+ Grant Program for improvements to the approximately 0.17-mile trail segment located in Bayard, New Mexico, beginning near Bayard Elementary School at the area of S. Foy Street and Park Street and extending toward the Bayard Community Garden site.

The City of Bayard confirms that it owns the property and/or right-of-way identified for the proposed trail improvements and grants NCFC permission to conduct the proposed project on this property, contingent upon receipt of grant funding and compliance with applicable City requirements, permits, and approvals.

Proposed improvements may include trail cleanup and rehabilitation, vegetation management, improvements to the existing trail surface, installation of wayfinding and educational signage, accessibility and safety improvements, and other related trail amenities consistent with the final project scope approved by the City and the New Mexico Outdoor Recreation Division.

The proposed project will improve a community trail connection between the area of Bayard Elementary School and the developing Bayard Community Garden and Workforce Training Center area. The project is intended to provide a safe, free, close-to-home outdoor recreation and walking opportunity for students, families, and other community members while supporting outdoor education and community connectivity.

The City of Bayard supports NCFC's application for Trails+ funding and authorizes NCFC to complete the approved improvements within the identified project area if funding is awarded. NCFC will coordinate with the City regarding final project design, implementation, and any required permits or approvals.

This authorization is provided for purposes of the FY27 Outdoor Recreation Trails+ Grant application and subsequent implementation of the approved project, if funded.

Sincerely,

John L. Ojinaga, Mayor
City of Bayard