

Memorandum of Understanding Between Effingham County, Georgia and SEGA SORBA

Purpose

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a framework of cooperation upon which mutually beneficial work projects and bicycling activities may be planned and accomplished by Effingham County, Georgia, and SEGA SORBA (which is a Chapter of the Southern Off-Roads Bicycle Association), working cooperatively on multi-use trail projects in Effingham County. Such programs, projects, and activities will complement Effingham County and are in the best interest of the public.

Introduction

Effingham County [and Effingham County Parks and Recreation] are responsible for natural resource management on multiple city-owned properties in Effingham County. All hiking and mountain biking trail opportunities fall under the direction of Effingham County [and Effingham County Parks and Recreation].

Effingham County shall:

1. Make available opportunities for the furtherance of this MOU, subject to applicable County laws, regulations, and management direction.
2. Provide SEGA SORBA information regarding lands available for multi-use trails to be constructed in Effingham County.
3. Provide SEGA SORBA guidance as to trail limits within the parks in Effingham County.
4. Acknowledge the time and efforts of SEGA SORBA volunteers as an in-kind contribution to Effingham County approximately equal to, but not to exceed, the commercial value of such labor and services.
5. Provide Effingham County information relating to all joint projects with SEGA SORBA in the County's properties.

SEGA SORBA shall:

1. Provide technical assistance and volunteer labor to the land managers involved in work projects and mountain bicycling opportunities. This is to include construction and maintenance of the trail and management suggestions during and after the trails are completed.
2. Encourage its members to work with Effingham County officials to identify and discuss opportunities for cooperative work on mutually beneficial projects or activities.
3. The design, construction, and maintenance of trails on any Effingham County property will follow the standard adopted by Effingham County pursuant to guidelines in the International Mountain Bicycling Association book: *Trail Solutions, IMBA's Guide to Building Sweet Singletrack*.
4. SEGA SORBA may provide comments about proposed improvements to the county properties. Any trail plans or modifications proposed by SEGA SORBA must be approved by Effingham County prior to trail construction.

5. All requests for projects undertaken by SEGA SORBA must be submitted in writing to Effingham County. Work may begin only after approval for projects has been granted in writing.

It is mutually agreed and understood by and between said parties that:

1. This MOU is neither a fiscal nor a funds obligation document. Any endeavor involving reimbursement or contribution of funds between the parties of this MOU will be handled in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and procedures. Such endeavors will be outlined in separate agreements that shall be made in writing by representatives of the parties.
2. This MOU may be modified or amended upon written consent of both parties or may be terminated with 60-day written notice of either party.
3. Nothing in this memorandum shall obligate Effingham County to SEGA SORBA to expend appropriations or to enter in any contract or other obligation.
4. The cooperators shall comply with all Federal Statutes relating to non-discrimination and all applicable requirements of all Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies. These include but are not limited to (a) Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (40 U.S.C. 2000), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, handicap, or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1681-1683), which prohibits discrimination on basis of sex.
5. The principle contacts for this agreement are:

Chad Brock, President SEGA SORBA

 4-27-22
Signature Date

Wesley Corbitt,
Chairman,
Effingham County Board of Commissioners

Signature Date

_____, General Manager
Parks and Recreation for Effingham County

Signature Date