

Resolution No. 024-035

A RESOLUTION OF THE EFFINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE GEORGIA
OUTDOOR STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM (GOSP) FOR THE TREUTLEN TRAIL
EXPANSION PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the Effingham County Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of outdoor recreation, conservation, and promoting the well-being of its citizens through enhanced access to green spaces and

WHEREAS, Effingham County is committed to advancing the expansion of the Treutlen Trail, a vital segment of the Georgia Hi-Lo Trail, by extending the trail by 2.5 miles to provide additional recreational opportunities for hiking, biking, and wildlife viewing and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program (GOSP) provides grants to support projects that improve parks and trails, protect critical conservation areas, and enhance outdoor recreational infrastructure and

WHEREAS, the total project cost for the Treutlen Trail Expansion Project will be supported through a combination of GOSP funding and a 25% match of TSPLOST funds allocated for the trail's development by Effingham County and

WHEREAS, the Treutlen Trail Expansion Project aligns with state conservation goals, enhances regional connectivity, and is expected to boost local economic development by attracting eco-tourism and increasing community engagement in outdoor activities and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of Effingham County to pursue this funding opportunity to improve the quality of life, provide access to recreational resources, and preserve natural areas for future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Effingham County Board of Commissioners that submitting a grant application to the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program for the Treutlen Trail Expansion Project is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman, Wesley Corbitt, and/or his designee is authorized to execute all necessary documents related to the grant application and to take any additional actions necessary to fulfill the requirements of the grant application process.

This Resolution has been adopted on this 15th day of October 2024.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF EFFINGHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA



By: _____

Wesley M. Corbitt, Chairman
Effingham County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST: _____

Stephanie Johnson, County Clerk