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Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR)
 Attn: Grant Committee

Re: Design Review for Hamburg Township Application #TF19-0202

Dear Committee Members:

The Hamburg Senior Center is in support of the 2019 Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund 2019 Grant submission by Hamburg Township, as it connects the community buildings to parkland, natural features and other areas for more active recreation and outdoor social gathering, that all age groups and physical abilities will be able to enjoy. It will also offer more passive recreation options for our Senior Citizens, including the dedicated walking club.

Site Development Plan

Manly W. Bennett Memorial Park Design
 Hamburg Township, Livingston County, Michigan



The planned wayfinding signage along the trail, which will include large print and pictures, will give the users a clear idea of the length they are traveling, which will help them to determine how far they should go.

The restroom renovation in the existing concession building makes for better use of the existing structure, and provides a compliant respite for those enjoying the proposed trail system. This feature will also allow for this location to be used as a station for the tour bus (which serves as transportation for the Senior / Community Center) and allow for those attending trips to easily park and wait comfortably for their tours. The benches that are planned along the trail system, and at the restroom facility, will allow for our residents to enjoy the outdoors while they wait and will exceed ADA standards.

The proposed universally designed tot lot will also include universal seating, and will provide a wonderful opportunity for our aging demographic to interact with our youth. The shade structure will provide screening from the sun's glare, and will provide residents with passive recreation options, which are lacking in the current facility.

The flexibility of use will allow for our seniors to adopt a healthier lifestyle with low physical effort that could extend their lifespan and allow them to do so in a calming environment. By implementing the accessibility improvements outlined in this grant application, the following members of the Hamburg Community with mobility concerns, support the opportunity for increased quality of life within the Township.

Thank you,



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And members of the Senior Center who are in support of the opportunity for increased access and mobility at Manly Bennett Park:

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