Next Level Trails Quarterly Report Template

Project Name: Historic Vernon to Muscatatuck Park Vinegar Mill Overlook Trail

Grant #: NLT-02-08

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Report Date: 3rd Quarter 2021 (July 1-September 30, 2021)

Progress Report

(provide additional detail in Narrative Section below)

Timeline	Task	Status
Month/Year-Month/Year		
9/2/21	Early Coordination/NEPA CE draft	In prosess
9/30/21	Property Acquisition	In Process

Match / Grant Spend Overview (no funds spent to date)

Category/General Description	Match Funds	NLT Funds
Phase 1: Land Acquisition – Appraisals	In kind services	
Phase 1: Design - Surveying	In kind services	

Narrative Section

Progress since last report: Just completed contract to move forward

Anticipated work next quarter (next steps):

Month 1: Preparing documents for Early coordination for NEPA process/Prepare documents and conduct early coordination for Land Acquisition.

Month 2: Conduct site Survey to prepare for design coordination/Respond to Early coordination/Start the Section 106 investigation

Month 3: Start Preparation of the Categorical Exclusion document.

Land Acquisition summary (attach parcel table if necessary): This project will require the acquisition of land or easements from 7 property owners. Coordination with those property owners has begun and this acquisition will comply with the required acquisition process necessary for such.

Permitting/Environmental summary: A Waters of the US report will be prepared and coordination with IDEM/USACE and DNR will begin. This project will most likely require a 401/404 permit from IDEM/USACE as well as a Construction in the floodway permit from Indiana DNR

Design/Engineering summary: While some portion of the design may be started in the near future, portions of the design will be dependent on the findings of the Environmental documentation.

Obstacles or hardships: A portion of the trail project is located within the floodway of the Muscatatuck River and another portion of the trial will be located in a National Registered Historic District, both of which will be challenging with regard to clearing of the environmental documentation.

Potential scope or budget changes: No changes at this time.

Information needed from DNR or external stakeholders?

Soundbite (How would you describe the <u>current status</u> of the project to local media or elected official in a few sentences?): The contracts with DNR are now signed thus allowing the project to begin in earnest. Many steps will need to take place prior to this project going to bid, but they will be starting shortly with a lot of early coordination to address all the environmental concerns as required to move this project into design.

Attach photos of any progress on the ground (DNR may use for promotional purposes in addition to monitoring progress).