

Sample Support Letter

A letter like this can be used to urge your representative to support local or state legislation that will benefit the East Coast Greenway. You will need to change much of this letter to reflect the content of the bill.

Date

Representative Name
Address
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Re: House Bill ##### (Name of Bill)

Dear Representative NAME,

I am writing to urge your support for HB #####. Section ## of that bill, creating a state bikeway grant program, will lead to great advances for walking, bicycling, and other forms of non-motorized transportation in STATE.

For over a decade, the East Coast Greenway Alliance has been hard at work in STATE to create trails and greenways for transportation, recreation, and tourism. Our ultimate goal is to create a network of linked trails, the East Coast Greenway (ECG), stretching 3000 miles from Maine's Canadian border to Key West, FL.

Nearly #### miles of the ECG is in STATE, from TOWN A to TOWN B, connecting TOWN C, TOWN D, and TOWN E. Among trails in this network are the NAME OF TRAIL (TOWN to TOWN), the NAME OF TRAIL (TOWN to TOWN), and the NAME OF TRAIL (TOWN to TOWN)). And while ## miles of the ECG are complete in STATE, additional funding is needed to keep the momentum going. Completing the ECG in STATE will create new tourism destinations, new ways for kids to get to school, new facilities for recreation and commuting, locations for exercise that are close to home, and new linear parks for our cities, suburbs, and rural areas.

Funds appropriated through this bill can also ensure the local match required for millions of federal dollars already committed, through earmarks and state allocations of federal transportation funds, to completing portions of the Greenway.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,