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Hon. Andrew Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Rm. 710
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

The Department of Public Works is requesting the Legislature's approval for authorization to apply for a Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) Capital District Trails Plan Implementation Grant. The Program supports feasibility studies to develop new multi-use trails in the Capital Region. This new program is designed to implement the Capital District Trails Plan which was released in 2019.

The County's submission requests technical assistance funding to evaluate possible extensions and connections from the Albany County Rail Trail. The study would explore the feasibility of three extensions of the Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail into the Town of Guilderland:

1. Continuation along the rail bed to the Village of Altamont
2. A path along Route 155 (State Farm Road) running to New Karner Road (Albany Loop)
3. A potential connection to a proposed development near Albany Country Club

CDTC will make up to \$75,000 in Federal Planning funds available to eligible project sponsors to conduct a consultant-led feasibility study for constructing a trail(s) connection recommended in the Capital District Trails Plan.

If there are any questions or further information is needed, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Ramundo
Commissioner

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