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**AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM GRANT
FUNDING FROM WisDOT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAPITAL CITY TO GLACIAL
DRUMLIN TRAIL CONNECTOR PATH**

Dane County Parks applied for grant funding from the 2024-29 Surface Transportation Program - Urban Areas (STP-Urban) for funding to develop the Capital City to Glacial Drumlin Trail Connector Path. This funding program is administered on a local level through the Greater Madison Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The connector path will link the end of the Madison Capital City Trail Extension project to a proposed parking lot and trailhead on County Road AB. The multi-use path is planned to be 14 feet wide and approximately 1.3 miles long, consisting of a combination of asphalt pavement and boardwalk.

The Glacial Drumlin to Capital City Connector Path is one of the last remaining gaps in a state trail network that includes the Military Ridge Trail, Glacial Drumlin Trail, and Hank Aaron State Park Trail. Ultimately, this trail network will provide a continuous off-road multi-use path extending over 120 miles from Dodgeville to Milwaukee.

The WisDOT has notified Dane County that a grant of \$7,224,360 has been awarded for construction of the trail, construction engineering, and state review. County funding, currently estimated at \$4,000,000 will need to be budgeted in 2026 for the project to proceed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dane County Board of Supervisors and the Dane County Executive hereby accept the grant in the amount of \$7,224,360 from WisDOT, and the County Executive is hereby authorized to sign the State Municipal Agreement on behalf of Dane County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Land & Water Resources Director, Dane County Parks Director, and the Park Planning Manager are authorized to execute additional documents necessary to advance the project.