

Tuite, Deborah

From: scmkgmoore@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:58 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Purchase of land for the MRGT

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I am a long time resident of Ward 4. Please relay my support for the purchase of land to connect the Greenway Trail with the Northern Rail Trail. This is a project that would benefit a great many citizens of Concord, as well of the state and region. If it were possible to accommodate the private business as well, that would be a positive outcome for all, but if a choice has to be made, in this case I would support the city purchase deal, which has been in the planning stages for quite some time.

Thank you.

Karen Moore
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Tuite, Deborah

From: Megan De Vorse <mdevorse@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:56 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Dear Concord City Council:

I write to express my support and enthusiasm for the Merrimack River Greenway Trail.

I enjoy riding on the Northern Rail Trail and I am excited to have this local trail that we can access here in Concord. My husband and I have planned vacations around being able to ride bikes safely. This trail will add to the many attractions that Concord offers. Even in the winter, we will be able to snow shoe or ski on the trail.

Thank you,

Megan De Vorse
6 Cambridge St
Ward 4

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jo-Anne O'Brien Fay <jobrienfay@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:54 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Dear Major Champlin and the Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor can not be a RAIL WITHIN A TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITHIN A TRAIL, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation and additional business it brings to the city.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITHIN A TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Jo-Anne O'Brien Fay

Tuite, Deborah

From: Christopher Miller <crmiller072@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:52 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail ROW

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I am writing in support of the City acquiring the rail trail ROW for cyclists, pedestrians and other compatible uses. This is the critical missing link in connecting a cross NH rail trail system.

I would urge the City Council's affirmative acquisition without further delay.

Thank you

Chris Miller

Christopher Miller
Glenview Consulting, LLC

Tuite, Deborah

From: Paul Susca <suscapaul@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:45 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Thanking the City Council for moving ahead with a key portion of the statewide rail trail network

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To the Concord City Council:

As a frequent user of the Northern Rail Trail and a supporter of both the Merrimack River Greenway and the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail, I want to thank you for your key role in filling a critical gap in the statewide rail trail network by purchasing the abandoned railroad right of way between Boscawen and Downtown Concord. As I am sure you know, numerous studies have documented the positive economic impacts of long-distance rail trails such as the Northern Rail Trail and the Granite State Rail Trail, not to mention the public health benefits and less tangible benefits that increased biking and walking provide to communities. (I would be happy to provide references.) The purchase that I hope you will approve at this evening's meeting will be remembered as a pivotal moment in New Hampshire's drive to become a better place to live and raise a family and consequently a better place to locate a business.

Sincerely,
Paul Susca
Goffstown

Tuite, Deborah

From: George (Jed) Dubreuil <jdubreuil@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:44 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Concord to Boscowen railway right of way

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Please consider buying this right of way. Think of the amount of people using it daily for recreational purposes rather than a few people using it only on weekends, paying a for profit oriented business.

Thank you!

George Dubreuil

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Horne,Michele
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:30 AM
To: Julianne LeBlanc
Cc: * City Clerk
Subject: Re: Urgent Request: Please Oppose CSX Purchase Without Amendment

Sorry, one more question:

I believe both you and your parents have mentioned in your emails that you have reached out to the City to offer ideas to keep both the RailRiders and rail trail. Can you give me specifics as to who exactly you reached out to, via what method (email? Phone?) and their reply?

Michele Horne
City Councilor, Concord Ward 2
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On Aug 11, 2025, at 11:14 AM, Horne,Michele <MHorne@concordnh.gov> wrote:

Julianne,
Thank you for reaching out. I am very familiar with RailRiders as a customer. But not the business, in general.

Can you tell me who the business leases the property from, if anyone? Do you happen to know if there are statistics regarding where the 70,000 come from? And is that number since 2019?

I would love any other concrete numbers or statistics that you can offer.

Michele Horne
City Councilor, Concord Ward 2
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On Aug 11, 2025, at 8:00 AM, Julianne LeBlanc <julianneleblanc27@gmail.com> wrote:

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Dear Councilor Horne,

My name is Julianne LeBlanc, and I'm writing to you not only as a concerned citizen but as the proud daughter of Gary and Carolyn LeBlanc, owners of Scenic RailRiders. I'm reaching out today to ask for your urgent attention, empathy, and thoughtful consideration ahead of tonight's 7 PM meeting regarding the potential approval of the CSX railway purchase.

I want to be absolutely clear: approving this purchase without amendment will force my family's business to shut down, leaving my parents financially devastated. My father is 62 years old and cannot afford to start over. He has made countless sacrifices for our family and for the City of Concord—and it is profoundly unfair to ask him to begin again, simply because a solution wasn't given the chance it deserves.

I'm asking you to oppose the CSX purchase unless it includes an amendment that allows for the coexistence of a rail trail and railroad. This isn't just a plea to save a small business—it's about protecting a valuable and beloved community asset.

Since its inception, Scenic RailRiders has brought more than 70,000 visitors to Concord—people who eat, shop, stay, and explore the city, many of whom would not have come otherwise. Our operation is accessible to children, seniors, and individuals with disabilities, creating joy and memories for people who may never have experienced a traditional bike ride. We've been featured on TV shows like *NH Chronicle* and *New England Living*, and we've worked tirelessly to earn our place here.

We know these tracks better than anyone. I spent the summer at 17 clearing brush and weeds from the rails so others could enjoy them, that is not something you forget. We've repeatedly offered to demonstrate how both the trail and the railroad can exist side-by-side, but our outreach has been met with silence from both the City of Concord and the Merrimack River Greenway Trail group. There is an 80-foot right of way along the rail corridor—ample space for both. My father has even created detailed plans showing how this could work, yet no one has been willing to review them.

I want to stress: we are not opposed to the rail trail. We believe in it. We simply ask for a solution that supports both the MRGT and Scenic RailRiders. It's possible—and it's right.

As elected officials and community leaders, your voices represent the people—not just your personal beliefs, but the needs and hopes of your constituents and those who visit your city. Scenic RailRiders has strong public support, from within and beyond Concord. If your goal is to bring more people to the capital city, we've already proven we can do that—and we will continue to, if given the chance.

Please, take a stand tonight for fairness, collaboration, and community. Please show that you support small family businesses and aren't willing to put a family into financial ruin over a paved bike path. Oppose the CSX purchase until a viable amendment is added that protects Scenic RailRiders and allows for a shared path forward.

Sincerely,
Julianne LeBlanc

Tuite, Deborah

From: Christi Benney <christina.benney@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:26 AM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: Brown,Stacey; BYRON CHAMPLIN; Judith Kurtz
Subject: MRGT and Land Purchase

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Good Morning,

I am reaching out today in support of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail and the purchase of the key link of railroad between Downtown Concord and Boscawen.

I bike for both commuting and recreating and am an avid user of the rail trails in and around Concord, NH. Just this last weekend my partner and I rode on two rail trails – along the Northern Rail Trail from Danbury to Enfield (our goal is to make it from one end to the other, and we're doing it in 20 mile stretches) and also, as part of Concord-Lake Sunapee rail trail that the Hobo Ride that S&W Sports has been putting on every Sunday this summer. Having a rail trail that comes all the way into Downtown will make connecting and riding these trails way more accessible and safer – if you have traveled along route 3/North State Street as a biker, and even as a driver, that there is very limited space for everyone and can be quite harrowing at times. I've had the pleasure of meeting many volunteers that service the rail trails to make the trails a wonderful experience – they have crushed gravel, stockade fences for homeowners who want more privacy, regular fencing where not, plus it is really nice to be under the shade of trees. Every time I'm out, I see many people also out utilizing the trails – walking, running or biking. It is pleasurable to experience New Hampshire in this way.

While I have been on a Scenic Railriders tour once a few years ago and had an enjoyable experience, it is limiting by the number of guests who can utilize this section at any given point, comes with limited seasonality (according to the website opening day 2025 was May 10th and while I am not sure when it closes for the season, I know that they do not operate over winter), and also comes with a price tag of \$95-\$185 for an hour and a half experience – one that is not accessible to everyone. I hope that this would not be the reason that the city would decide not to purchase the land and would not deviate from the original goal of connecting all of the rail trails.

If there is a possibility of allowing both, then I am not against it, as long as care is taken to not have the paths cross as it is very easy for bike wheels to get caught up in the rails and cause the rider to fall.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Christi Benney
9 Short Street
Concord, NH 03301

Tuite, Deborah

From: Scott McPherson <mcphersonnh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:18 AM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: BrentToddConcord@gmail.com; Horne,Michele; chamby@comcast.net
Subject: MRGT

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Hello,

I wanted to voice my support for the acquisition of the property necessary to complete the Merrimack River Greenway Trail from Penacook to Horseshoe Pond. The report from the city staff clearly outlines the economic and quality of life benefits to the entire community. I hope the City Council will support the resolution.

Thank you.

Scott McPherson
Penacook

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Tuite, Deborah

From: Naomi Smith <naomismith1000@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:16 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railroad Tracks

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Jaime Smith



Tuite, Deborah

From: Aline <ambevacqua@ymail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:15 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Abandoned rail line purchase

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Good morning,

I wholeheartedly support the purchase of the abandoned rail line between Boscawen and Concord, and appreciate all the work that has gone towards that goal.

I reside within a short distance of the Boscawen end of the Northern rail trail and have long wished that I could bike safely into Concord and avoid the traffic of Rt. 3. I understand the Railriders have been fighting the purchase, but I don't think an out of state owned company should have more say in this than the many people of the Concord area who would benefit from the purchase.

Please continue to do everything you can to complete this purchase.

Thank you,
Aline Bevacqua
Boscawen, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Roland Berube <rebnh@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:03 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Agenda Item 36G for the 08/11/2025 City Council Meeting

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Dear Concord City Council,

As a resident and taxpayer of Concord, I want you to know that I am in FULL SUPPORT of the resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute Purchase and Sales Agreement with the Boston and Maine Corporation, a subsidiary of CSX Transportation, Inc., concerning the acquisition of portions of the Northern Main Line to support the Merrimack River Greenway Trail (CIP #543) and appropriating \$143,000, including \$105,000 in General Fund supported bonds and notes, and \$38,000 from the Recreation Impact Fee Reserve, for that purpose.

I view the Merrimack River Greenway Trail (MRGT), as currently conceptualized as a rail-less recreational trail, to be a desirable addition to what the City of Concord has to offer residents and visitors alike. Imagine people of ALL abilities having access to a recreational trail that takes them from the doorsteps of downtown to quiet, scenic views of the Merrimack River. Your approval of the above resolution brings us one giant step closer from imagining that trail to making it a reality.

With the intent of full disclosure, you should know that I am a financial supporter and former board member of the Friends of the MRGT. I have always appreciated the City Council's support of what the Friends of the MRGT are trying to accomplish, and hope that your support of their goals does not waver going forward.

Thank you for your service to the City of Concord, and for considering my opinion on this matter.

Sincerely,

Roland E. Berube
8 Spaulding St
Concord, NH 03301-2570
(603) 228-1132

Tuite, Deborah

From: Rick Kfoury <rickkfoury51@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 11:00 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Regarding the Northern Railroad

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Councilors of the City of Concord,

I wish to address you all on the matter of the Northern Railroad, particularly regarding the prospect of its potential removal following a purchase by the City of Concord.

The Northern Railroad of New Hampshire is a well-rounded resource that must not be written off or disposed of simply on the pretense that it would be better suited as a recreational trail.

Mr. Gary Leblanc and his Scenic Railriders have done an exemplary job of turning the remaining portion of the Northern into a popular attraction which is now nationally known. Losing this business would be an affront to his efforts and could serve as a demoralizing action towards any group operating, or seeking to operate, a tourist rail entity in New Hampshire. It could shift a priority away from encouraging and developing tourist rail use towards a trend of removal and loss.

The recent opening of a new railbike operation in Laconia, now operated by the Granite State Scenic Railroad, will allow for healthy competition with Mr. Leblanc's operation. Concord will serve as an alternative possibility for those seeking that experience. If they come for one, chances are they will want to try the other. If the City of Concord were to purchase the Northern, revenue could be generated from a lease to the Scenic Railriders by extracting a portion of individual ticket sales. This is how New Hampshire generates revenue from leasing its state-owned lines to tourist railroads. Casual rail-trail use, though it may generate arguable revenue to surrounding businesses, will by definition not generate direct usage revenue. Having a rail-with-trail setup could allow for a "win-win" in which revenue can be generated while trail users can enjoy a public trail alongside, nearby or inside the rail line.

The City of Concord has a unique opportunity to preserve a portion of the famous Northern Railroad not only as a means of economic draw, but also as a historic resource. Although preservation of railroad artifacts along a rail trail is a worthy and commendable pursuit post-removal, there is no substitute for having the rail infrastructure in place. As a young person who grew up in the late 1990s and 2000s, I learned more about the railroad history of this state from intact railroad lines than could ever be learned on a rail trail. This spark led to a lifelong fascination with railroads. That in turn helped lead to involvement on a historical society board of directors, delivering presentations to entities like the New Hampshire Historical Society, and a deep involvement in the local historical community. Continual degradation of our rail infrastructure could upset that opportunity for those in the future with a budding interest in the rail history of New Hampshire.

Direct your attention to the Cotton Valley Rail Trail out in Wakefield and Wolfeboro. This is an example of "Rail-with-Trail", a rail trail in which the rails are left in place with a trail constructed either between, or next to, the tracks. This allows enjoyment for all interested in the corridor, be it with a railroad or trail focus. The Cotton Valley Rail Trail Club, a group of railroad enthusiasts, operates railroad motorcars safely on the corridor. They also maintain and repair the rail and trail segments. Having a similar cooperative agreement on the Northern with Scenic Railroaders could enrich the corridor's opportunities tenfold while ensuring that no one group loses out in respect to the other. Oftentimes the argument is made that rail-with-trail is "too costly" or just "not feasible". It is possible, if enough care is given to

preservation and not totally forsaking one group to reward another. With close inspection of railroad infrastructure and engineering, you will find that there is often more than enough room to construct a trail effectively in the right of way. The Northern Railroad was once a busy mainline — if rail-with-trail works on the backwater Wolfeboro Branch, it can work on the Northern. Why not spend a little extra care and time to secure all possible options for the future?

The railroads of the Granite State are a limited and diminishing resource; I might also remind you that they are a finite resource, as well. There never again will be any new railroad lines constructed in the State of New Hampshire. What we have left is what we have left; when it is gone, it is gone. The acquisition of a railroad corridor with the automatic intention of dismantling it for the purposes of a recreational trail could create a harmful precedent — and propagate the incorrect belief that once a rail line is no longer useful to one company, then it is no longer useful to any other rail entity, be it for business or tourist use.

In summary, I urge the Council to expend every possible resource — mental, financial, and logistical — to thoroughly contemplate the future of the remaining Northern Railroad and not gravitate towards one popular outcome. While I do believe that an extension of a recreational trail into Concord could be a great resource and should definitely be carried out in some form, it does not necessarily have to be at the expense of Scenic Railroaders or the Northern Railroad. The Northern Railroad may not seem like much to the casual observer, but there is a lot on the line here.

Sincerely, and with all respect,

Rick Kfoury

Tuite, Deborah

From: ROB BLAKENEY <rbplease@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:51 AM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: Brown,Stacey
Subject: Scenic Railriders proposal versus Merrimack River Greenway Trails' proposal

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TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

Scenic Railriders' customers probably do contribute to Concord area tourism, but that marginal benefit is dwarfed by the public benefits that will flow from Merrimack River Greenway Trails' proposed connection to an extensive state trails network.

Also, Scenic Railriders' business model depends on a massive infrastructure subsidy. Railroad tracks are expensive and Scenic Railriders' customers have literally been having a free ride on that very valuable infrastructure. Scenic Railriders' revenue cannot support anything near the acquisition costs for the rails it depends on, so it is asking that the City subsidize its continuing operations at the cost of realizing a long-held recreational trails vision.

I respectfully oppose it.

Thank you,
Rob Blakeney

Rob Blakeney
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Tuite, Deborah

From: Kevin McNeill <kmcneil@eastern.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:46 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a rail with trail corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a rail with trail corridor. The city of Concord would see more benefit from a rail with trail here, as lease money from the railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation and additional business it helps bring to the city. We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a rail with trail so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,
Kevin McNeill

Tuite, Deborah

From: lborocket@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:45 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railrides

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,
I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

There are other railrides around the country and like this one they are a pull for tourists. My family all lives out of state and this is one of the things they plan to do when they come to NH. It's unique and it's a gateway to other tourist areas. This would be a huge loss for the area to not have this opportunity continue. It's a well run activity and a very memorable experience that will always be associated with a trip to NH.

Please make the right decision and keep this fantastic opportunity.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Hanson

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kala Day <kgonsler@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:42 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Hello, I am writing to urge you to please support the purchase of the rail section between Boscawen and Concord, to continue efforts to connect sections of the rail trail. This would be an invaluable resource for Concord and the surrounding communities, and would provide a safer commuting option, as well as drawing visitors to the area to support the local economy. Please do what is best for local citizens rather than supporting an out of state company.

Thank you!

Kala Day

Tuite, Deborah

From: Rachel Soave <soaverachel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:26 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

Tuite, Deborah

From: Wendy Martin <w.martinbcs@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:27 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail trails

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Good morning,

My name is Wendy Martin and I am a resident of Concord, NH. I am writing to express my support for the Merrimack River Greenway Trail and the purchase planned to connect the rail trails by connecting Concord and Boscawen. The rail trails are fantastic for bike riding and some of the more accessible trails for people with limited mobility. Please continue to expand this system!

Thank you for your time,

Wendy Martin

14 Pond Place Lane

Concord, NH 03301

Tuite, Deborah

From: David Berliner <lilyluka@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:28 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Trail purchase

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Please support Trail purchase!
Former owner Cilley Vet Clinic!

Dr David H Berliner
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St Petersburg , FL 33709

603-496-3688 cell

sent from iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: betsey2003@tds.net
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:35 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for MRGT

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Hello,

I am a resident of Concord, NH. I am writing to express my support for the MRGT and connecting other rail trails into a network for recreation and transportation. I support Concord purchasing the property. Please, continue with this project.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Betsey Neville
Concord

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jennifer Robson <jenrobson@mac.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:08 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail Purchase

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City Council Members,

Please vote tonight to purchase the railroad right-of-way for the MRGT. The Scenic Railriders, a for-profit organization, had temporary use of the rails, and now it's time to convert the land to a use that can be freely used by all - a public good. It's the right thing to do.

Please do not consider a shared rail/trail situation. We consistently use the Cotton Valley rail trail which does have shared use, and it can be treacherous. Plenty of people use it who don't understand the nature of riding between the rails and sharing that space with pedestrians - which results in some pretty hairy accidents. Not to mention wicked cases of poison ivy caused by needing to jump off to the side to avoid a cyclist. The between-rail sections are barely wide enough for a confident cyclist and a pedestrian to pass. When two bikes meet, things tend to go better if one or both dismount. The transitions between rail and non-rail sections also cause several bad wipeouts each season. A shared trail is far from trouble free.

Thanks for your time,

Jenny Robson
Ward 5
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203.733.8855 (m)

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jean Benson <jean.benson13@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:09 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MRGT LAND PURCHASE

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I am writing to express my support for MRGT's purchase of the land between Concord and Boscawen to extend the rail trail!

Jean Benson

Tuite, Deborah

From: Pete Mosseau <pwmosseau@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 10:00 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Greenway Rail Trial

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Greetings to the City Council-

Thank you for your years of work regarding the Greenway and the pending purchase of rail line that is on the agenda tonight. I live on Centre St in Concord, and urge you to make this purchase and bring this project closer to completion.

Regards

Pete Mosseau

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Valnere McLean <mcleanval@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:53 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Land purchase

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I want to express strongly my support for the MRGT and for the purchase of the 5-3/4 mile long land - the abandoned right of way. Please approve the purchase of this land.

Valnere McLean
49 East Side Drive
Concord, NH 03301

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Bob Mucci <bob@halistar.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:50 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Rail riders
Attachments: 20250811082712.pdf

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Good morning<
Pleas see attach. above
Thanks,
Bob Mucci

Bob Mucci
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Tel 978-927-5600
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Please use the drafted email below and send to the following address:

cityclerk@concordnh.gov

Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
(Your Name)



Tuite, Deborah

From: Melissa Salmon <medussa124@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:46 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: City council meeting 8/11/25
Attachments: City Council MRGWT letter.aug.2025.docx

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Good morning please see my enclosed letter for the Angela to tonight's meeting.

Melissa Salmon
She/Her
603.470.3929
I live on the land of the Penacook Abenaki.

August 11, 2025

Dear Counselors

I am writing today in support of the purchase of the rail trail by the city of Concord for the continuation of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail.

Penacook has enjoyed a robust growth period in the last few years, which is what I hoped for in 1991. As a teen I knew the area was special and. I've been raising my kids here since 2003 (begging the city to install crosswalk signs so we could safely walk the .4 mile to Penacook Elementary School- where there is still an issue of inadequate sidewalks in the Manor) telling them we have a beautiful part of town that should be accessible.

It would be so nice to access, without a car, our little downtown with my kids and to feel safe sending them to music lessons or the new Canal Street Riverfront Park. Living less than 6 miles from my job on Main Street, I have ridden my bike only once- because it was so dangerous! I know of two cyclists riding in the bike lane hit by motor vehicles along route 3, so it isn't safe to bike to work or for recreation.

Penacook has the beautiful Seawalls Falls recreation area, that you can access best by vehicle or boat, and bike if that feels safe. The trails are great for multiple uses; you can get to the Morono Park Trail starting on Second Street and ending at Clark street we wish it would go further. We also have the nice new Market Basket and shopping options at Merchants Way- completely inaccessible by bike if you want to be safe! You can't reach the Northern Rail Trail on foot or bike without needing to use the roadway. On either end of Penacook, we are cut off from the city we are part of and pay hefty tax to.

We have economic growth that should mean increased accessibility to the beautiful outdoors of the area, not taken over for profit. The Scenic Rail Riders have brought to Penacook storage containers, taken over a parking lot and leaking cars onto the road way in the "bike" lane, have no trash management for litter left by tourists, teens block traffic at random for the passage of the rail bikes and yell at people using the tracks to get to fishing spots or trying to access the walking and riding trail next to the rail tracks heading south. In my opinion, the Scenic Rail company brings nothing of value to the area and takes a lot.

In short, please proceed with buying the Rail Trail of the use of all Concord Residents and increase our accessibility to our beautifully developing area. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Melissa Salmon
71 Hobart St
Penacook NH 03303

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jim Owers <jowers2@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:44 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support Purchase of CSX right of way

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Dear Mayor and City Councilors,

I strongly support the resolution for the purchase and sale of the CSX right of way as outlined in the City's report to council.

This is being opposed by a narrow group of people who hope to make a profit on on a small concession to run pedal powered rail cars up and down a portion of the abandoned rail tracks and hope to see the tracks left in place to the detriment of everyone else.

I am glad these folks have been able to make some use of the tracks while we have been in very lengthy negotiations for the purchase of the right away but this is not a practical solution going forward. The rail people have never offered any feasibility study on how you could maintain tracks with a multiuse trail. At a minimum it would require widening the existing rail bed to accommodate both uses at considerable expense. They have never explained who would pay for this. The taxpayers of this city should not be subsidizing this business. We have waited far too long to move forward on the MRGT. Please vote to support the resolution as drafted.

Jim Owers, Concord

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Dolores & Bruce Cooper <coopers.nh@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:42 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support of Land Purchase to extend MRGT

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Please consider this email a show of support for the Merrimack River Greenway Trail and the purchase of land in their efforts to connect and continue the Rail trails.

This purchase and future development of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail will expand the recreational opportunities for all city residents, not just a limited segment of the population.

The rail trails are a great opportunity for families of all abilities to get out and enjoy the beautiful trails of concord and surrounding areas.

Let's help get our families out on the trails.

Sincerely

Dolores A Cooper
03303

Tuite, Deborah

From: Taury Anderson <taurybeth@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:39 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for MRGT land purchase for rail trail!

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To whom it may concern,

I strongly support the purchase of the abandoned railroad between downtown Concord and Boscawen! For those of us who commute into town on a bike, this rail trail is a key to being able to do this safely!

The benefit to Concord's community will be huge:

- Safe biking/walking access to downtown for residents and visitors who live North of the city
- Increased property values
- increased visitors to the city
- potential decrease in traffic on North State street with an alternate access to town for pedestrians

The rail bikes are a novelty, but they do not benefit the residents of Concord and surrounding towns in any impactful way. Please consider the huge benefit that this rail trail will add to our community for decades in the form of accessibility, safety, commerce and physical fitness.

Thank you for your hard work in this!
All the best,

~Taury Anderson
18 Engel St, Concord NH
(603)856-6827

Tuite, Deborah

From: Carol Knieriem <cjknier@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:30 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Greenway trail

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I am writing to support buying the land that is key to connecting the rail trails. This will be so great for concord and great for the people for recreation i hope we don,t let this great opportunity pass us by. Carol Knieriem Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: Wayne Morris <mod52wm@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:29 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MRGT

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Hi,

I am writing to express my support for the land purchase of the abandoned right of way between Boscawen and Concord. For years there have been many, many volunteere groups working on a plan for an interconnected system of rail trails. This piece of land is an integral portion of the vision for the Granite State Rail Trail.

Throughout the country, rail trails are drawing huge amounts of tourism and with it huge amounts of tourists dollars. These numbers would dwarf any amount of monies generated by a private entity using a very limited segment of the needed rail bed to complete the GSRT.

Please don't be short sighted in this very important decision and put private business interest above the overall public benefit

Regards,
Wayne Morris

Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: MELINDA COX <melindacox@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:26 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support of Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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I just want to let you know that my family and myself support the Greenway Trail. We so enjoy the trail in Concord and was love for it to expand.

Melinda Cox
603-582-4072

Tuite, Deborah

From: lwjohnson2@comcast.net
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:24 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MRGT

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Having a rail trail connect to Concord is a win win for the MRGT and the city of Concord. Please vote to purchase the 5-3/4mile long section of abandoned right of way. The highest and best use of this parcel is its connection to to the MRGT. Please do not miss this chance. You represent the public interest and not a private interest.

Stand up for this one time opportunity to extend the MRGT into Concord!

Sincerely,
Patricia P. Johnson

CapeCod Rail Trail rider (over 330,000 riders a year!)

lwjohnson2@comcast.net
508-524-8170 (L)
774-400-4518 (P)

Tuite, Deborah

From: Susan Burns <dewittsker@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:22 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railtrail

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Please, please, do not be dissuaded from green-lighting the rail trail as planned. A private company should not be permitted to stand in the way of securing access to all of our citizens on this piece of the extended trail for biking, walking, and winter use.

Please, do the right thing by your constituents!

Thank you

Sue Burns

Hopkinton, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Bob Heigis <bob.heigis@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:17 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail link purchase

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I am a trail rider am a member of heritage heights biking club

Please continue with the purchase of the rail right of way for the use of all and not let fall into the private use

thanks

bob heigis

Concord,NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: David Belser <dave.newwww@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:10 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: In support of the MRGT land purchase

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I'm fortunate enough to live within miles of the southern end the Northern Rail trail in Penacook, I use it multiple times a week.

This last section would be a huge benefit to ALL of the community AND out of state tourist riding and walking enthusiasts 7 days a week year round - not just tourists on a few nice weekends.

Now that there is improved parking at the Penacook end of the Northern Rail Trail, it is a rare occasion that I don't see several local and out of state vehicles parked, the trail is getting a lot more use.

This link is a win for Concord residents, a win for the economy of Main street Concord and Fisherville Road, will bring more NH residents into our community (I routinely ride North to Franklin) and add a year round tourist draw to a large area of the City of Concord. It is a big quality of life improvement for our community - much bigger and available to more people than the rebuilding of the Beaver Meadow club house.

The remaining link to Concord has been tied up for years! It is past time to get it done and it would be a failure of governance to fail to do so and instead support an out of state private business denying residents access to one of the jewels of Concord's outdoors - the banks of the Merrimack.

Thank you,

David Belser
34 River Road, Penacook

Tuite, Deborah

From: Douglas Murphy <dmurphjr80@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:08 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MRGT - Land Purchase - please support!

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Hello -

I support MRGT and the greenway trail. It's a key resource and draw for our community. But it NEEDS to be connected to be effective. Please support the land purchase to make this connection. Don't let a Massachusetts company derail years of work and future enjoyment. Thank you!!!

Doug Murphy
41 Ridge Rd

Tuite, Deborah

From: Sue Yarger <sue.yarger@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:07 AM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: info@mrgt.org
Subject: The abandoned railroad right of way between Boscawen and Downtown Concord

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Dear Concord City Council,

I'm writing to express my enthusiastic support for the Merrimack River Greenway Trail (MRGT) and the City of Concord's effort to purchase the abandoned railroad right of way between Boscawen and Downtown Concord.

For years, MRGT has worked tirelessly to build a connected network of off-road trails that link the Northern Rail Trail, the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail, and the Granite State Rail Trail. This property is a critical piece of that vision — one that would benefit residents, visitors, and future generations by expanding safe, scenic routes for recreation and sustainable transportation.

The opportunity to secure this land is the result of six years of dedicated negotiation. It would be deeply unfortunate to see this progress derailed by outside interests. I urge you to move forward with the purchase and help ensure that Concord remains a leader in trail development, environmental stewardship, and community wellness.

Thank you for your commitment to this important project.

Warm regards,

Sue Yarger, Rindge NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Meagan <meaganmf@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:07 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MRGT Support

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Dear City,

The MRGT and the railtrail system are amazing resources and you should allow the sale to them to connect the trail to Concord proper.

I use these trails regularly for walking & biking, and it is a beautiful resource you should not let go.

It is multi-use for biking, walking, rollerblading and even snowshoeing.

If the RailRiders take over, there will only be minimal, seasonal use of this great, local green space.

Please vote to complete & connect the rail trail system to downtown Concord!

Respectfully,

Meagan French
Northern Rail Trail enthusiast!

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ellen <ellec603@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:07 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Rail Trail CSX Land Purchase

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Good Morning,

We would like to express our support for the MRGTrail and the land purchase it is considering. It would benefit the City of Concord to acquire the 5.7 mile CSX property between Horseshoe Pond in Concord to Boscawen in order to extend the rail trail. Reclaiming the rail line land is paramount to a continuous trail. This acquisition is an opportunity not to be missed.

It is our hope that the purchase can be mutually beneficial not only for the extension of the MRGTrail, but also the Scenic Railriders business. Allowing the MRGTrail group to establish an adjacent trail corridor for use by bicyclers, walkers, cross country skiers, and others will add value to this section of the rail trail. The rail rider business land lease funds could be directed to the maintenance of this portion of the rails and trail.

We are residents of Henniker who regularly bicycle the Northern Rail Trail. We also cross ski these trails in the winter. Over the years we have explored other rail trails in NH and VT. We appreciate that the rail trails are easy to access, away from motor vehicle traffic, and offer a pleasant way to get out into nature for exercise and appreciation of NH's beauty. During our rides we have seen families with youngsters on their bicycles or in strollers, joggers, walkers, other cyclists, even dog mushers! It would be great to have fun runs on these trails as well. These trails enhance the quality of life in NH!

Looking forward to seeing you on the rail trails.

Mark Lucard & Ellen Chase-Lucard
Henniker, NH
ellec603@tds.net
603-428-7842

Tuite, Deborah

From: Anne Parkhurst <anne.parkhurst@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:03 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please continue bike trail from Boscawen to Downtown Concord

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The continuation of the trail would be beneficial to the entire community not just tourists. It can be used year round where asking locals to pay to use for one business isn't in the best interest of the community. The locals would ride into Concord and frequent the local businesses. It would also allow commuters to use the trail. Tourist are looking for these types of trails to use and provide tourist dollars to the areas they visit. I for one will travel to use other trails and visit the local sites.

Thank you
Anne Parkhurst

Tuite, Deborah

From: Lisa <flyingangel1082@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 9:01 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

I ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

My husband and I recently spent a couple days enjoying your city and rode the Scenic Railrider. The rail riding activity was so enjoyable because we have mobility issues. By pedaling a railride car, we were able to see the Merrimack River from a different viewpoint while riding on the tree-lined rails. It would be a disservice if this is changed to a hiking/biking trail which we would be unable to participate in. Please reconsider this endeavor to include both hiking/biking and railriding so more people are able to enjoy your city.

Thank you for your time and service to the City of Concord!

Sincerely,

Lisa Piermattei

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ruth <ruth.farney@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:59 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Purchase for MGRT

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Please purchase the 5.7 mile stretch needed to extend the MGRT. This is an important recreational opportunity for residents of Concord.

Thank you,
Ruth Farney
169 Portsmouth St Unit 189
Concord, NH 03301

Tuite, Deborah

From: Michael Huntoon <mdh@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:56 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail Land - IMPORTANT - Critical Connection

Importance: High

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Hello;

I strongly request your support to purchase the critical 5 ¼ mile long railway property to connect the MRGT, Northern Rail Trail, Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail and the Granite State Rail Trail. I am part of the Northern Rail Trail Maintenance Team and see how much the trail is used. This link will finally tie all the trails together. Please help.

Thank you very much.

Michael Huntoon
682 Franklin Highway
Andover, NH 03216

603-848-6018

Tuite, Deborah

From: Miriam Levine <miriamlevine7@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:54 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Purchase of Land for the Greenway Trail

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To Members of our Concord City Council,

I urge you to approve the purchase of this land so this wonderful project can go forward.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours for the Greenway and linking up,
Miriam Levine

32 South Main Street
Concord, New Hampshire

Tuite, Deborah

From: Alex Noordergraaf <alex@noorder.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:53 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support MRGT

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To Whom It May Concern,

Wanted to write this email in support of Concord purchasing the abandoned railroad right of way to support completing the connection of the rail trails.

We live in Concord and really enjoy the existing sections of the rail trails and are very excited about the potential of connection the new Concord section with parts further North.

My family and I fully support this purchase by the Town of Concord to help pull together a trail that will be used not only by my family but also my children's children.

Thanks, Alex (603.520.4171)

Alex@iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jeanne <murrysmimi@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:53 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Supporting the Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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City Council Members,

We are writing in full support of the City buying the 5.7 miles of rail line from Horseshoe Pond to the City's northern border. This project is a long time coming and we're very excited to watch its continued development.

Jeanne North
Page Cannon
41 Warren Street
Concord Ward 6

Tuite, Deborah

From: Debra Huntoon <debhuntoon@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:49 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: IMPORTANT - Rail Trail Connection Land Vote

Importance: High

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Good Morning;

Please consider this email as support for the purchase of the land that will connect the MRGT and Northern Rail Trail to the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail and the Granite State Rail Trail. As part of the Northern Rail Trail which runs in front of our home, this is a critical piece to connect us to Concord. Please, please vote yes to purchase this necessary land that is so critical.

Thank you for your time.

Debra J. Huntoon
682 Franklin Highway
Andover, NH 03216
603-848-6019

Tuite, Deborah

From: Helen Weigel <hmweigel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:47 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MRGT Support

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Dear City Council,

Please support the Merrimack River Greenway Trail in the purchase of the Boscawen property. Many people are riding bikes these days and need a place to ride off the streets. My husband and I moved to Concord 3 years ago because it felt like a small city that prioritized getting people outdoors. Now retired, we have time to bike and plan to be bringing our friends and family to Concord specifically to bike long distances safely. If the Massachusetts family succeeds in running their commercial rail riding business, they will profit on short term fun, and ruin the network that accesses long bike rides.

Thank you for your support of our growing biking community.

Helen Weigel

44 Hope Ave

Concord NH

Hmweigel@gmail.com

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: William Weigel <bweigel2@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:46 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for the Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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To the City Council

I was alerted that there is a decision in the works regarding the usage of the railroad right of way between Boscawen and Concord. The best use of this resource is as a public greenway that can be used by pedestrians and bicycles. The idea of allowing Scenic RailRiders to take over this resource is a terrible idea and certainly not in the public's best interest. This should be a PUBLIC RESOURCE. It should not be extended to a commercial interest.

Thanks in advance for support of the MRGT.

William Weigel
44 Hope Ave
Concord, NH 03301

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Chesleymarin Comcast Mail ACcount <chesleymarin@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:42 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: 5.8 Mile Railroad Right of Way

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I am writing to support the generous and civic-minded action of the City of Concord to extend the Greenway/Rail Trail from Boscawen into central Concord. I am a regular user of the Rail Trail on foot for trail running and bike for recreation and exercise. It is a low-cost, community-supported resource greatly enhancing all communities through which it passes. As New Hampshire's capital city, Concord will make a declaration in favor of its residents and visitors by joining in this effort.

John Chesley
57 Maple Street
Andover, NH 03231

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ellen Coulter <ellenanddave338@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:30 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: support for railroad purchase

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Hi Folks, I am in favor of your city purchasing the railroad right-of-way that is up for consideration. I feel it would enhance not only the "positive vibe" of recreation but would also help Concord and the greater area economies. Your purchase would be for the greater good of everyone, not just a few. Dave Coulter, Northfield,NH.

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ruth Engel <rengel359@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:15 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack County Greenway Trail

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To city council members,

I am writing in support of the city's purchase of the five and three-quarter mile rail in order to continue toward the MCGT goal of connecting trails through Concord. This organization has been working tirelessly for years to accomplish this goal, it would be the best interest of the city to support this project.

Thank you for the work you do for the city, Ruth Engel

359 South Main St.

Concord

Tuite, Deborah

From: Bill <radbill@earthlink.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:10 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trails

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Please approve the purchase by Concord of the abandoned rail bed from Boscawen to downtown Concord. That will create a fantastic linked rail trail network in central NH.

Thanks,

Bill Radzelovage

Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: Martha D'Amato <mothra146@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:09 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway project

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Hello,

Please let this email serve as my support for the Merrimack River Greenway project under consideration at tonight's City Council meeting. My husband and I are avid cyclists and utilize the Hannah Dustin parking lot several times a week to bike the Northern Rail Trail. The ability to gain access to the trail from Horseshoe Pond would allow us to bike directly to the trail from our home in Concord. Not only will it cut down on carbon emissions, it would open up a new section of the trail which thousands of people could experience.

We spend a lot of time on the NRT and see how many people utilize the trail system, whether it's to bike, walk or run. The number of people that use the NRT for these purposes far surpasses the number of people that ride the rail cars. Allowing Scenic Railriders to hold up or effectively veto the project merely because of their interest in a small portion of the railroad would be a travesty.

Sincerely,

Martha D'Amato

Tuite, Deborah

From: Rosanne Beaurivage <rosanne.newwww@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:08 AM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: dave.newwww@gmail.com
Subject: Land for MRGT

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To whom it may concern,

As a Concord/Penacook resident for over 30 years, I have eagerly awaited the final and last segment of the rail trail connecting to the city proper. It has not made sense to me how long this visionary project has taken when Concord's roads have only grown more congested and more dangerous. I have never felt comfortable using Fisherville Rd to ride to Concord recreationally. Years have gone by when I could have taken by bike to downtown to eat or attend an event but the six mile trek is not worth the unpleasantly loud and vigilant effort of the route. My spouse finally landed a job where a bicycle commute was possible. He did it exactly once. At that time, a NH State Prison employee was tragically killed one afternoon while cycling on Fisherville Road. That man would still be alive if the rail trail had existed. My partner could not justify the risk during commute hours. How many fitness-minded or environmentally responsible workers or students from this community have made the same decision?

The lease by the Scenic Railriders has been an anti- local reminder of failure to do the right thing by the Railroad owners and NH state admin. Once the lease took effect even walking that section of rail in the summer and fall became an unfriendly conflict, discouraging this resident from enjoying the Merrimack river corridor in my own back yard. I have eagerly awaited the lease to expire.

It makes no sense to promote eco and active tourism by way of our gem of the MGRT and NOT have an end point like Concord, with hotels, restaurants, and parking for visitors wanting to do the entire trail. Please make this purchase happen and do not let this project get delayed once more! I cannot express how important this is.

Sincerely Yours,
Rosanne Beaurivage
34 River Rd
Penacook NH

Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kathleen Everest <dolfie555@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:05 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail trail

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I support the City of Concord purchasing the land that would connect the MRGT to the Northern Rail Trail.
Thanks

Kathy Everest

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: CHARLES BRISTOL <cbristol1@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:05 AM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: Champlin, Byron
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail - MRGT

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Good morning!

I am writing in support of the acquisition of the 5.8 mile corridor between Concord and Boscawen for the Merrimack River Greenway Trail (MRGT). It is an important opportunity to connect downtown Concord to the Northern Rail Trail and the Concord - Lake Sunapee Rail Trail.

As a cyclist, I am familiar with these Trails. They are used, year round, by cyclists, walkers, runners, and skiers. Having an off-road connection from Concord links these trails together and improves overall safety by avoiding Fisherville Road. Scenic Railriders' use is limited to the warm months of the year and, then, only on certain days and hours, and for paying customers only. Shared use is impractical and potentially dangerous. Steel rails are a serious hazard that every cyclist seeks to avoid.

The greater public good is achieved by ceding this corridor to the MRGT.

Thank you,
Charlie Bristol
Concord, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kretovic, Jennifer
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:22 AM
To: Julianne LeBlanc
Cc: * City Clerk
Subject: Re: Urgent Request: Please Oppose CSX Purchase Without Amendment

Hi Julianne,

Thank you for sharing your thoughts in support of your parents' business and the rail line. I can tell this is an issue close to your heart, and I appreciate the time you took to write.

I was looking to confirm if you are a current Concord resident, as I did not see your name on the most recent residents list. Of course, people move frequently, and my list may not be fully up-to-date — could you let me know where you're currently living?

Thank you again for reaching out,

Jennifer

Councilor Jennifer Kretovic

City of Concord, New Hampshire

Home Contact: 8 Gallen Drive, Concord, NH 03303, (603) 228-8395

jkretovic@concordnh.gov

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From: Julianne LeBlanc <julianneleblanc27@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:00 AM
To: Kretovic, Jennifer
Cc: * City Clerk
Subject: Urgent Request: Please Oppose CSX Purchase Without Amendment

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Dear Councilor Kretovic,

My name is Julianne LeBlanc, and I'm writing to you not only as a concerned citizen but as the proud daughter of Gary and Carolyn LeBlanc, owners of Scenic RailRiders. I'm reaching out today to ask for your urgent attention, empathy, and thoughtful consideration ahead of tonight's 7 PM meeting regarding the potential approval of the CSX railway purchase.

I want to be absolutely clear: approving this purchase without amendment will force my family's business to shut down, leaving my parents financially devastated. My father is 62 years old and cannot afford to start over. He has made countless sacrifices for our family and for the City of Concord—and it is profoundly unfair to ask him to begin again, simply because a solution wasn't given the chance it deserves.

I'm asking you to oppose the CSX purchase unless it includes an amendment that allows for the coexistence of a rail trail and railroad. This isn't just a plea to save a small business—it's about protecting a valuable and beloved community asset.

Since its inception, Scenic RailRiders has brought more than 70,000 visitors to Concord—people who eat, shop, stay, and explore the city, many of whom would not have come otherwise. Our operation is accessible to children, seniors, and individuals with disabilities, creating joy and memories for people who may never have experienced a traditional bike ride. We've been featured on TV shows like *NH Chronicle* and *New England Living*, and we've worked tirelessly to earn our place here.

We know these tracks better than anyone. I spent the summer at 17 clearing brush and weeds from the rails so others could enjoy them, that is not something you forget. We've repeatedly offered to demonstrate how both the trail and the railroad can exist side-by-side, but our outreach has been met with silence from both the City of Concord and the Merrimack River Greenway Trail group. There is an 80-foot right of way along the rail corridor—ample space for both. My father has even created detailed plans showing how this could work, yet no one has been willing to review them.

I want to stress: we are not opposed to the rail trail. We believe in it. We simply ask for a solution that supports both the MRGT and Scenic RailRiders. It's possible—and it's right.

As elected officials and community leaders, your voices represent the people—not just your personal beliefs, but the needs and hopes of your constituents and those who visit your city. Scenic RailRiders has strong public support, from within and beyond Concord. If your goal is to bring more people to the capital city, we've already proven we can do that—and we will continue to, if given the chance.

Please, take a stand tonight for fairness, collaboration, and community. Please show that you support small family businesses and aren't willing to put a family into financial ruin over a paved bike path. Oppose the CSX purchase until a viable amendment is added that protects Scenic RailRiders and allows for a shared path forward.

Sincerely,
Julianne LeBlanc

Tuite, Deborah

From: Julianne LeBlanc <julianneleblanc27@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 8:00 AM
To: Ali Sekou
Cc: * City Clerk
Subject: Urgent Request: Please Oppose CSX Purchase Without Amendment

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Sincerely,
Julianne LeBlanc

Tuite, Deborah

From: Frances Gunnison <fgunnison@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:57 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please support the MRGT

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Dear City Council,

Please go forward with the planned purchase related to the MRGT. This is vitally important to the local and wider community.

Sincerely,
Frances Gunnison
61 Warren Street
Concord, NH 03301

Tuite, Deborah

From: k wenger <kwenger99@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:55 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MGRT

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I urge the Council to support the MGRT. It is a huge opportunity to connect communities and drive tourist spending. My wife and I, seniors and long time bike riders, ride the trail weekly. The advent of e-bikes has been a huge boost to cycling, particularly with seniors who tend to have more disposable income. Many states have capitalized on this huge opportunity for tourist dollars. Look to our neighbors in Vermont to see the success of the very popular Lamoille Valley Trail and how it has helped rural areas.

We have traveled to ride the Katy Trail across Missouri, the Erie Canal trail across New York, the Virginia Creeper Trail in Virginia, the Great Allegheny Trail and C&O trail from Pittsburgh to Washington, DC and the Munich to Venice trail in Europe. On all of these rides we met like minded tourists. The MGRT is a huge opportunity to put N.H. on the cycling map and increase tourism in the state. Please support the continued development for MGRT for the benefit of our great State.

Ken Wenger
Waterville Valley, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Richard Dwyer <eatongrange@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:54 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail

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Dear sir/Madam,

Please register my wishes to the Council to continue the proposed rail trail to be used by as many people as possible - baby strollers, older walkers, bikers, large families. While the Scenic Railrider shave their needs, I think you should optimize the number of users for the scarce amount of trail we have.

-Richard Dwyer



Tuite, Deborah

From: Dave teune <teune@me.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:44 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: support for the MRGT and for the purchase of the land

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As a resident of Concord for over 20 years and an avid user of rail trails throughout the state, I would like to encourage the City Council to move forward with this purchase.

Dave Teune

Sent from my iPhone.

Tuite, Deborah

From: Rick & Terry <rtwolff@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:39 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Council Approval of Purchase

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To the Concord City Council - Terry & I both ask that you approve the purchase of the key piece of the trails that tie the off-road trails together. We have supported this project for many years and it is now on the verge of connecting the various parts together. Please approve this purchase. Rick & Terry Wolff

Tuite, Deborah

From: Geoffrey Kirsch <gkirsch@jd12.law.harvard.edu>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:39 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway

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Hello,

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I write to express my strong support for the Merrimack River Greenway project under consideration at tonight???'s City Council meeting.?? As a Concord resident I regularly drive to the Hannah Dustin parking lot to bike on the Northern Rail Trail.?? Having access to the trail from Horseshoe Pond would save both time and carbon emission, letting me bike directly to the trail from my home in Concord.?? It would also open up a beautiful new stretch of riverside trail, which I would use for walking and cross-country skiing as well as biking.?? I think it would be absurd to let Scenic Railriders hold up or effectively veto the project merely because of their interest in a small portion of the railroad.

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Thank you,

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Geoffrey Kirsch

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Geoffrey R. Kirsch

gkirsch@jd12.law.harvard.edu

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Tuite, Deborah

From: Doug Baxter <dbaxter@tds.net>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:34 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for MRGT

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Good Morning,

We respectfully request the City of Concord to move forward with the purchase of the abandoned railroad right of way between Boscawen and Downtown Concord. We are frequent riders of the Northern Rail trail and are always frustrated when we reach 'the end of the line' in Boscawen, wishing we could continue on to Concord.

At ages 75 and 73 respectively, we find bike riding to be an excellent form of low impact exercise that is a major component of our health and wellness plan and find riding the rail trails a safe, scenic and enjoyable way to bike ride without worrying about distracted drivers hitting us on the roadways. We have been riding the Northern Rail Trail for 10+ years and have found these rail trails to be increasingly popular with walkers, bikers and horseback riders. Inclusion of this six mile segment would be a huge gain for the City of Concord in adding to recreational opportunities and would also bring people like us into Concord to patronize your restaurants, etc. We always plan a bike ride with a meal destination!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Doug & Charlene Baxter
New London, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Michelle Cinq-Mars <michelle5mars@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:29 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Hello,

This past weekend I was able to enjoy the RailRoad!! I'm from Florida and nothing like this exists. My friend and I loved the ride and afterwards we enjoyed lunch in Concord. We visited and purchased from shops. I would not have visited Concord if not for the Scenic Railroad. Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

Thank You,

Michelle Cinq-Mars

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: David Cawley <dcawley7@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:28 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail Land Acquisition

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to ask you to proceed with the purchase of the land that will allow the continuation of the Northern rail trail into Concord.

Regardless of the motivation of the folks advocating leaving the rails in place, I would offer two experiences – one this past weekend and one, now, five years ago--to consider as you make your decision.

This past Saturday friends from Washington DC came to visit. They brought their bicycles and we rode on the rail trail from Boscawen to Franklin. Without exaggeration, we saw at least 50 people on that ride. Most of the cars in the parking lot we pedaled by along the trail, had New Hampshire plates; but some like our friends, had out of state plates and presumably were tourists.

Extending the trail to Concord is bound to be good for the City's tourist based business In that the ride to and from Franklin on Saturday, for us, was an all day event that almost required our friends staying overnight here in Concord.

And..some years ago we rode on the Rail Trail out of Wolfeboro. That trail was built, leaving the tracks in place. I'm a pretty experienced cyclist but took A nasty fall as the path for bikes crossed over the rails.

As a result, I'm very skeptical of whether leaving the tracks In place wilk really allow a safe route for bicycles.

Finally, while I certainly don't understand the economics of the business that would operate on the rails, my experience on Wolfeboro route and my drives by the rail rider business on Sewalls Falls Road suggest that the number of people who will Bicycle on the route in question is exponentially larger than the number of people who would ride in a self-propelled rail car.

Please proceed with with acquiring the rail line land for a cycle path

Thank you

David Cawley
78 School St
Concord NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: sarsnshndydrm <sarsnshndydrm@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:15 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Dear Mayor and City Clerk,

Yesterday, I had the pleasure of riding the Scenic Railriders trail. It was such a fun experience. I did it with a long time friend from college. It was a fun way for us to have an afternoon adventure. It was really a unique experience. There were people of all ages and I loved the fact that again, it was a unique experience. It brought families and people of all ages together. It was fun to have a sense of community with these strangers. Rare in today's world.

Pease build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

Thank you!

Best,
Sarah Benoit

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Mary Clifford Hulbert <marycliffordhulbert@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:14 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Good morning,

Please know that there is substantial support for connecting the Merrimack River Greenway Trail between Pennacook and Concord.

Connecting the trail will:

- Enhance quality of life for those with access to the trail
- Provide year round outdoor activity space
- Preserve open space
- Create economic development, tax base expansion and job creation around the trail

Please support the expansion of the rail trail. Thank you.

Regards,
Mary Clifford Hulbert
Manchester, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jonathan Kovar <jkovar4@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:13 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail to trail

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Hello,

This is a brief email in support of rail to trail in Concord. This is important to our citizens and will be a legacy for our kids and those in the future. Please please please work hard to secure this for the people at New Hampshire.

Sincerely, Jonathan Kovar.

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Joe <joehardyemail@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:13 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for MRGT Land Purchase – Preserving Our Trails and Future

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Dear Concord City Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for the purchase of the abandoned railroad right of way between Boscawen and Downtown Concord to complete the Merrimack River Greenway Trail connection.

I grew up in this area, and these trails hold deep sentimental value for me. They helped me to appreciate the outdoors, with biking nearby trails as a kid, running in rail trail the mornings, and snowmobiling with friends in the winter. Now, as a parent, I share the same joys with my family and I want to ensure these opportunities are here for future generations.

I've always questioned why this land couldn't be purchased and connected. It has been a dead end for recreation transportation for this section of rail trail my whole life. Now this is the opportunity to change that!

This trail connection is more than recreation, it's an investment in our community's health, economy, and accessibility. It offers safe, scenic, and car-free routes that encourage biking and walking as genuine alternatives to driving, which benefits residents, visitors, and the environment alike. Linking the MRGT, Northern Rail Trail, Concord–Lake Sunapee Rail Trail, and Granite State Rail Trail would create a network that's not only a regional asset but also a point of pride for Concord.

I urge you to move forward with this purchase and keep this vision alive. Let's protect this rare opportunity to create something that will benefit our community for decades to come.

Thank you for your time and dedication to the Concord area.

Sincerely,
Joseph Hardy
Webster NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: shannon h <skhurley@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:08 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: purchase of land for MRGT

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Hello,

As a cyclist who is more and more scared to ride on the roads as I have done since the 1990's, I find myself turning to rail trails and other off-road options to continue my pursuit of health, as well as for commuting. Please support the purchase of the abandoned railroad right of way between Boscawen and Downtown Concord for development by the MRGT and affiliates to connect existing trails and expand recreation options for so many people.

Thank you, Shannon Hurley

Tuite, Deborah

From: Andre Martinez <andremartinez.dp@me.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:04 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail

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To all involved,

I support for the MRGT and the purchase of the land for our city! Please don't let these efforts be squashed by out of state private entities.

Sincerely,

Andre Martinez
Director of Photography
(310) 678-7351

Sent from my TRS-80

Tuite, Deborah

From: Lesley Clark <lclark32308@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:02 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: In support of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail - NOW!

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To whom it may concern,

I am a Concord resident and taxpayer and am in full support of a recreational trail for all being built on the abandoned railroad tracks as soon as possible!

It would be a huge asset and selling point for the capital city to have a trail that is accessible to downtown businesses and restaurants and that links to the Northern Rail Trail.

I have friends who live in Pennacook and it would be great to get up there without having to drive.

I worry that another delay in the process will doom the project.

Thanks for your attention to this matter,

Lesley Clark
27 South Spring Street

Tuite, Deborah

From: Mike Horne <hornemw@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 7:01 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Re: Take Action today: Critical land purchase in jeopardy!

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Concord City Council,

PLEASE support the MRGT and the purchase of the land tonight.

This section of the rail trail is so very important and needed now.

Sincerely,
Mike Horne

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On Mon, Aug 11, 2025 at 6:48 AM Friends of the MRGT <info@mrgt.org> wrote:

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For seven years, we have been working hard to connect the [MRGT](#), the [Northern Rail Trail](#), the [Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail](#), and the [Granite State Rail Trail](#) into a network of off-road trails for recreation and transportation. A key link that will tie them all together is the abandoned railroad right of way between Boscawen and Downtown Concord.

After 6 years of negotiating to acquire the land, Concord is on the verge of buying the property. But, Scenic Railriders, a company owned by a family in Massachusetts, is working hard to throw a monkey wrench into the works. If they succeed, they could set us back years or kill our effort altogether.

Please consider sending a brief email, expressing your support for the MRGT and for the purchase of the land -- **by mid-afternoon TODAY--** to the Concord City Council via CityClerk@ConcordNH.gov



What's at stake?

The City of Concord has been negotiating to purchase a 5-3/4 mile long abandoned railroad right of way since April 2019. Tonight, the Concord City Council will vote on whether or not to approve the purchase the land.

Also consider attending tonight's City Council meeting (7:00 pm, Council Chambers, 37 Green Street, second floor). There you'll learn why the options offered by the Scenic Railriders are too expensive, too late, and wouldn't work anyway.

More info

Donate by credit card



Thank You!

Friends of the MRGT PO Box 954, Concord, NH, 03302

Check out the rest of MRGT's website!



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Mike Horne
603-540-9608

Tuite, Deborah

From: jon mullen <jmullen23@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 6:46 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MRGT

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I fully support the MRGT. And the purchase of the land to connect the greenway trails and allow access to Concord NH. This would be do wonderful!

I rode the NRT last year with some friends starting in Lebanon, and we were disappointed the trail didnt go all the way to Concord. We made the effort to get there and enjoyed it anyway but it was neither pleasant or easy. Completing the trail would bring a boatload of cyclists to downtown concord and make the trails in NH a real destination trip for people all over. Much like the Erie Canal even.

Please support the MRGT!

Thank you

Jon Mullen

Nottingham NH

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Darlene Freeman <darlc007@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 6:17 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support of the Lake sunapee railtrail

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Good morning,

I wanted to send a brief email to let you know that my family and I are in support of the MRGT purchasing the land for the bike trail.

Please do not let Scenic Railriders, Inc interfere.

Thank you,

Darlene Freeman

Tuite, Deborah

From: patricia barber <rugbyvet88@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, August 11, 2025 6:16 AM
To: * City Clerk; patricia barber
Subject: Public Comment on Public hearing 36G and Public hearing Action 43 tonight City Council

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Dear City Clerk,

Please enter my public comment on these items on tonight's August 11th, 2025 city council meeting

Public hearing 36G and Public hearing Action 43: Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with the Boston and Maine Corporation, a subsidiary of CSX Transportation, Inc., concerning the acquisition of portions of the Boston and Maine Northern Main Line Railroad for the purpose of facilitating the Merrimack River Greenway Trail project

Regarding the Merrimack River Recreational Trail;

My name is Patty Barber and I live over the NH border in Hiram Maine.

As an older person, my days of walking, running and bicycling any distance are long over, and I don't ride ATVs or snowmobiles.

But my son sent me a video of him and his friends riding a rail bike in Rhode Island and I thought "I could do that!". I have also seen rail carts run through my town along the Mountain Division and thought that looked like great fun.

If there is an opportunity here to voice recreational preferences, my family's would be to keep the railroad tracks to allow rail-based fun all of us can use. If this railline is purchased, this rail corridor will be state-owned, and as such should be accessible to as wide a variety of abilities as possible.

I am a fiscally conservative person, and support business opportunities. My understanding is that bike-ped trail recreational use is temporary, and that railroads will always have priority in this corridor. NHDOT has been supportive of rail expansion business prospects elsewhere in the state. In Maine, smaller short-line railroads have been restarting freight operations on corridors long since out-of-service. Private equity money is being invested in rail businesses throughout New England and the country, as the cost of maintaining roads, fuel and manpower shortages has affected the bottom line of trucking via roads. And rail-bike tourism has begun to expand and flourish as people seek out this unique adventure.

Because of the potential rail business use, it makes no sense to tear out the tracks, build a trail on top of the rail bed (which will eliminate rail bikes or cart use), only to have to tear the trail out to allow a rail company to put down new track to restore trains.

This line has also been designated a federal high-speed rail corridor. I'm not sure you can just ignore that designation here. Yes, high speed rail may be decades away, but the path to get there runs through keeping the

tracks, rail-based rec use, then freight use, then limited passenger runs, then continued upgrades to high-speed rail status. Removing the tracks now forever takes away this potential opportunity for future generations- our children, grandchildren and beyond.

It seems reasonable to keep the tracks, allow rail recreational in addition to an adjacent bike/ped trail, and efficiently allow return of railroad business opportunities. A win-win-win for everyone!

Please keep these considerations in mind as your city determines the fate of these railroad tracks.

Thank you for your time,

Patty Barber
Hiram Maine

Tuite, Deborah

From: Joey Planchet <jplanchet60@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:21 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Former Concord Tour Guide

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Dear Mayor Champlin and the members of the Concord City Council,

I am writing to express my concern for the upcoming purchase of the railroad tracks owned by CSX. I wish to state my opposition to this purchase if the city intends to remove the train tracks and force Scenic Railriders out of business.

Although I am not currently a resident of Concord, I am a Concord native. My father was born here, his father was born here and my great grand father moved here from France as a young boy. I lived in Concord for almost 20 years before moving after college due to the lack of job opportunities in the state. It is my intention to one day return to Concord and settle in my career and serve my home community.

Before working in healthcare, my role as a tour guide for Scenic Railriders during college was the most rewarding job I ever had. Every day, I shared my passion of the outdoors and history of Concord with our customers. I met people from all over the country and the world who came to enjoy the rail bikes. For many of our out of state costumers, Scenic Railriders was the sole reason for their trip to New Hampshire. We also helped countless of guests with various physical limitations and disabilities enjoy a peaceful ride on the rails by making our tours accommodating. Perhaps the most memorable tour experience for me was working with a summer camp for youth with visual impairments and helping them enjoy the bikes and scenery by describing everything in detail and seeing their enjoyment the whole time.

As an avid biker myself, I too am excited about the rail trail to span from border to border, but I do not want this to be accomplished by sacrificing a family business in the process. I see no reason why people can't enjoy both the rails and the trail, as there is plenty of room for both.

Scenic Railriders has played a significant role in Concord's community over the past 7 years by bringing in tourism and business. I have given recommendations for Concord restaurants to hundreds of guests after they finished their tour. A rail trail alone would not bring in nearly as many visitors as Scenic. By forcing Scenic out of business, other Concord businesses will suffer as well.

A city sponsored project that directly ends a small business and tourist attraction sends a terrible message. It tells people that Concord is not the place to start a business. It suggests that tourists are not welcome, that we'd rather have this stretch of land for ourselves than bring people in and show them the natural beauty and history of our great city.

Opportunities for younger people have become scarce in New Hampshire while our population has been aging. This will likely cause many problems in the future if we cannot figure out a way to bring more young people in. Tourism can help with this by bringing in visitors and showing them that Concord is a great place worth living in.

I urge the City of Concord to not remove these rails and put Scenic Railriders out of business. I ask this in hope that by keeping Scenic Railriders in business, we can provide as many people as possible the opportunity to enjoy our city in such a unique way.

Sincerely,

Tuite, Deborah

From: Christine Grunes <ckins69@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:10 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose approval of CSX purchase without rail with trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Christine Grunes

Tuite, Deborah

From: skoobyryn@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:09 PM
To: * City Clerk; Champlin, Byron
Subject: Oppose approval of CSX purchase without rail with trail

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Lisa Price

[Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS](#)

Tuite, Deborah

From: Nick Cunningham <nikocunningham.nc@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:09 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Hey Mayor!

I traveled today from Cambridge Massachusetts to ride on the rail, and it was a lot of fun! I loved the unique experience of seeing the sights while traveling in the cart with my girlfriend.

Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

Thanks,
Nick

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kalbach Family <kalbachfamily@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 10:51 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

I was there today with my family and it was a great experience. Please work with the Scenic RailRiders to keep this wonderful attraction.

Tuite, Deborah

From: Matt Hoban <matt.e.hoban@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 10:43 PM
To: * City Clerk; bchamplin@cocncordnh.gov; Fennessy, Nathan; Sexton, Amanda; Keach, Fred; Kurtz, Judith; Brown, Stacey
Subject: Public Testimony Re: Item 36G on Aug 11 2025 City Council agenda

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Dear Mayor and City Councillors,

I was initially opposed to the city buying the land formerly owned by CSX- I saw it as another frivolous purchase by the city that would lead to massive costs down the line... Reading over the proposed Purchase and Sales agreement makes it seem like a very reasonable deal being that the seller has to remove all of the rails and ties from the property making the cost of transitioning this into a gravel trail less burdensome for the city and saving tax payer's money. To put the amount of material CSX is removing in perspective- the typical weight of one light commercial rail is 33 pounds per foot. A track has two rails- meaning the track over one mile weighs about 350 thousand pounds. The length of rail being removed is 5.7 miles giving a total of around 2 million lbs of steel. That is just the rail- there are also wooden ties-- thousands of them, each weighing over 100 lbs. It goes without saying that this is a lot of work and it is a lot of work that the city will not be required to do. Though I see this as a major benefit I do take issue with the period for removing material set forth in the Agreement at Section 7- Paragraph 7-8 as it is essentially infinitely extendable without fee and at the expiration of the period CSX can consider material 'abandoned' including the track they are agreeing to remove- I think this section should be reworded to better protect the city's interest.

Turning to the points made by those who are opposed to the city's purchase of this property. The business leasing the abandoned track should have never had any expectation that their enterprise could survive perpetually as its existence is dependent on the track remaining abandoned. The track remaining abandoned and owned by CSX deprives Concord citizens of its use. The modification of the rail trail to include tracks as proposed by those opposed would EXPONENTIALLY increase the cost of the project and this exponentially increased cost would be borne by taxpayers. The cost of the modifications proposed would far exceed the current rental cost paid--- by orders of magnitude.

While I believe everyone has a right to do business in Concord and to have a voice at Concord city meetings, I think that it is also important that those who live here in Concord are heard and our taxes are spent on projects that benefit our lives and improve Concord as a whole. I think that the agreement as proposed accomplishes this and urge you to pass the resolution as presented.

Thank you for your attention and your public service,

Matt Hoban
163 School St

Tuite, Deborah

From: Raia Price <raiaprice@icloud.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:57 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose approval of CSX purchase without rail with trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Raia Price

Tuite, Deborah

From: Bruce Clendenning <clendenningbruce@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:51 PM
To: Champlin, Byron
Cc: Jim Schlosser; * City Clerk
Subject: Re: Agenda Item 36G - Acquisition of property along the Merrimack River for public recreational uses

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Dea Mayor Champlin and Honorable City Councilors,

I understand that on this week's Council Agenda, item #36G, there is a hearing on whether the City should move forward with purchasing of land in the rail right of way for public recreational use, potentially for use by the Merrimack River Greenway Trail (MRGT).

My short statement (if your time does not allow for the paragraphs below) is that I strongly support the City purchasing this property AND I strongly support the City supporting the continuation of the MRGT on this property as proposed.

The public recreational benefits of trails like the MRGT are diverse and important. They allow users of many types, from casual walkers of all ages, to joggers, to mobility-challenged people with various devices that assist them, to recreational cyclists from small children and their parents to commuters to racers training for elite competitions a safe place, away from traffic, to enjoy the recreational use that they prefer. They are free for all to access and almost everyone in the community, or visiting the community and seeking a trail in nature, away from busy roads, can enjoy their use. They are an equalizer that brings people together in enjoyment of the outdoors.

Trails like this are a community resource that deserves the continued support of the City, support that the City of Concord has consistently provided for many years. They are an investment in the health and well-being of the entire community.

Additionally, as a very experienced cyclist who frequently rides the roads of Concord and the surrounding communities, I believe that expansion of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail could provide an excellent three-season commuting opportunity for people that need to get between Penacook and Downtown Concord for work. Personally, I don't mind riding State Street from my South End Neighborhood through Penacook and beyond (sometimes including the new rotaries around Exit 17...), but I was a bike courier in Washington, DC when I was younger. Many people do not have the comfort I have with traffic ... expansion of the MRGT along the river would have the potential of getting many more commuters out of their cars in good weather and enjoying the more affordable travel that cycling permits.

I understand that the users with the current interim-access permit of the rail right-of-way are suggesting that the City hold off on this purchase, creating an opportunity for them to continue their access. I have no issues with them or their use - I don't believe in pitting user groups against each other. It's not up to me to decide if one user-group is "better" than another. But I generally support recreational opportunities that serve multiple user-groups over those that serve a limited clientele, no matter how enjoyable that single use is. Unfortunately, my understanding is that in the limited space that this acquisition entails, it will likely have to be either a rail-based recreational opportunity OR a multi-use trail open to numerous user groups. I defer to the Council to determine what you think is best for the community as a whole.

I encourage the Council to continue your consistent, long-term, support of multi-use trails in the city, including the MRGT and to move forward with the purchase of this property.

Thank you very much for considering my input.

Most Sincerely,
Bruce Clendenning
Ward 7
6 Morton Street, Concord

Tuite, Deborah

From: mary brown <muffy1969@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:50 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders! I have gone here three times so far and bought my family from California and Mass and they love it! It's a great tourist attraction! I live in concord and pay taxes and would like this to stay.

Thank you,
Mary Brown
178 N State St
Concord, Nh

Tuite, Deborah

From: Mike Walsh <mikewalshdrums@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:18 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail WITH Trail Corridor

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails. I've been a customer of Scenic Railrider's and I've also made regular use of the Northern Rail Trail and I hope to continue the use of both. I know the removal of the rails to allow for only a bike path instead of rail with trail would be short sighted and upsetting to me and many others. Please do the right thing instead of catering to pressure from rail trail bike enthusiasts. There is a way to have both and make everyone able to enjoy this corridor.

Sincerely,

Michael Walsh
1339 River Road
Manchester, NH
03014

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kristen Riley <kristenmriley@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:07 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Supporting city purchase of CSX property

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I encourage the city of Concord to purchase 5.7 miles of railway property from CSX so the Merrimack River Greenway Trail can be built.
Thank you.

Kristen Riley
129 Horse Hill Road
Concord, NH 03303

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ken Burwen <urbigsuccess@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 8:42 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,
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There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.
We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.
Sincerely,
Ken Burwen

Tuite, Deborah

From: r-moliver@comcast.net
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 8:15 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail

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We are in favor of the city's purchase of the rail bed from Pierse Manse to Hannah Dustin for the purpose of establishing a rail trail.

Ron and Maureen Oliver
131 North state Street Unit 6
Concord, NH 03301
Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jonathan Burns <jcburns044@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 7:59 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail

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Dear mayor Champlin, in the members of the city council. I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a rail with trail corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a rail with trail corridor. The city of Concord would see more benefit from a rail with trail here, as lease money from rail biking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the city. We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor, a rail with trail so that Concord can benefit from rail, biking, and walking/biking trails. Sincerely, Jonathan Burns.

Jonathan Burns
(978)968-9554
Jcburns044@gmail.com

Tuite, Deborah

From: jodie steen <jls1221@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 7:53 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Fw: Scenic Rail Riders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord

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Sincerely,

Tuite, Deborah

From: Madison Sarsfield <msarsfield1065@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 7:05 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposition of purchase of railroad tracks

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Madison Sarsfield

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jack's Gmail <jkalbach@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 6:10 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

We had a great time, this should be saved for all to use.

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: S Kelley <redsaz@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 6:06 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

I've been on these rails using rail bikes multiple times & hope to continue in the future.

Sincerely,
Sondra Kelley
Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Mel M. <melissaminery@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 5:28 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for rail purchase

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Hello,

I am a Concord resident (56 Jackson street), and I support the purchase of the land north of Horseshoe Pond to expand the MRGT.

Best,

Melissa Minery

Tuite, Deborah

From: Abby Evankow <abbyaustin89@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 5:27 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please approve purchase of rail corridor for public rail trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and Concord City Council Members:

I urge you to approve the appropriated City funds to purchase the ~5.7 miles of abandoned rail corridor from Horseshoe Pond to the Boscawen / Concord line. I understand that the City has been working for years to make this purchase. I deeply appreciate the commitment of City leadership and staff to make this forward-thinking action possible. Thank you!

I live in Gorham, NH, less than a mile from the Presidential Rail Trail, and know first hand that rail trails are enjoyed by both locals and visitors. They are beautiful, safe, peaceful, family friendly trails to bike or walk. For the past few years my husband and I have taken multi-day trips on New England rail trails - staying in trail-side inns & stopping for food, drink, museums + along the trails. Cyclists get hungry and thirsty!

Just this June we biked along the Northern Rail Trail from Franklin to the current end of the rail trail in Boscowen. If the rail trail had continued into Concord - we would have kept pedaling and treated ourselves at one (or more) of Concord's many restaurants, cafes and or bakeries.

I understand that a privately owned business, the Scenic Railriders, uses a portion of this rail corridor and objects to removing the rails for general public use. The suggestion to create "rail-with-trail" is unfortunately a much more complicated and expensive and therefore impractical option. A public rail trail is much more of a public benefit than a private concession. Many more people can and will use and benefit from a public rail trail without the need to rent custom built Rail-Bikes. If there is currently a lease between the City and the Scenic Rail Riders, I suggest that it not be extended in any way that would delay the start of rail trail construction.

Sincerely,
Abby Evankow
Gorham, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Benjamin Templeton <jam.templeton@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 3:08 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please hear us

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Dear Mayor Champlin and the members of the Concord city council,

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I ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that concord can benefit from rail biking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Benjamin Templeton

Tuite, Deborah

From: Edward M Kabat <mocha3625@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 3:04 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposed to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and Members of the Concord City Council,

My wife and I recently traveled to your area for the sole purpose of enjoying the opportunity to experience a rail bike outing with Scenic Railriders. You have a precious community asset that it would be a shame to lose.

I encourage you to disapprove purchase of the railroad tracks from CSX unless it's for the purpose of becoming a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why you couldn't keep the existing tracks used by Scenic Railriders and add a trail to transform this into a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from rail biking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor.

In addition to Scenic Railriders as the tourist attraction my wife and I enjoyed, there are also many other benefits to include the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City to include hotel stays and restaurant visits.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Edward and Corinne Kabat
New Palestine, IN

Tuite, Deborah

From: Emma Lagan <laganlimited@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 3:04 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Good afternoon Mayor,

My partner and I just visited Scenic RailRiders today and had a great time!! We came up from Boston just for this. We were sad to hear that there is a proposal to dismantle this in favor of just a Rail Trail. We agree with Scenic RailRiders that it would be great to have a trail alongside this railride experience.

We would love to be able to come back to this again and bring friends.

Thank you for your consideration,

-Emma

Tuite, Deborah

From: (null) (null) <vlecaain@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 2:35 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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August 10th we brought our granddaughter to ride the Scenic RailRiders trail we had seen on Windows to the Wild with Willem Lang a few years back. What a wonderful experience we had! It was 92 degrees when we finished the ride and we all had a wonderful time! The people were amazing and we never could have done the 6 1/2 miles without their ingenuity and attention to detail and safety.

There were people on our ride from Ohio, Texas, New York, Massachusetts, Virginia and New Hampshire that came to Concord to enjoy this environmentally friendly adventure. They spent money at local restaurants, hotels and convenience stores as well.

We were so disappointed to hear this wonderful business might be in jeopardy! I am hoping to come back in the fall with members of my work for a team building trip.

Please consider building a trail with rail system so we keep Scenic RailRiders! It makes economic and environmental sense to work to a mutual solution and we hope to be able to continue to visit Concord and the Scenic RailRiders with more friends and family!

Thank you!

Vicki and Andy LeCain
Dorchester, Nh

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Regina Wall <rplanchet@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 2:33 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Regina Wall

Tuite, Deborah

From: Marielle Thompson <mariellethompson99@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 12:41 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: CONCORD RAILROAD TRACKS

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Sincerely,
Marielle Thompson

Tuite, Deborah

From: Damien Snow <damiensnow35@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 12:08 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!
Yes please keep this trail going it's a great i'm your experience that not only gets people outside. It gets them to do a little bit of exercise at all ages.

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Michael Williams <mikedwilliams13@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 12:00 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: RAIL WITH TRAIL

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Sincerely,
Andrew Landers

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kevin von Braun <orangeskymassage@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:51 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Concord Rail Purchase from CSX

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Sincerely,
Kevin von Braun
39 Miriah Dr
Yarmouth Port, MA
617-306-2231

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kelly Gallagher <gallyke77@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:43 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with trail corridor sale

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Sincerely,

Kelly Gallagher

Tuite, Deborah

From: catherine rouse <crouse52@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:36 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

Tuite, Deborah

From: Tom Rouse <trouse4t2@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:33 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

Cheers,
Tom

Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: David Annunziato <david.annunziato@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:31 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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Sincerely,
David Annunziato

Tuite, Deborah

From: Wilson, John <jwilson@worchester.edu>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:23 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Purchase vote on August 11th

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Hello, this John Wilson of 56 Jackson St in Concord. I want to put my support behind the buying of the rail land north of horseshoe pond. I think this is of benefit to the citizens of Concord.

Thanks,

John Wilson

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jessica Rouse <jesslouiserouse@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:21 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Best regards,

Jessica Rouse

Tuite, Deborah

From: Janet Kibbee <janetakibbee@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 11:03 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Greenway Trail

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Hello,

I am in support of proceeding with the purchase of funds for the Merrimack Greenway Trail near Horseshoe Pond.
I enjoy the existing trails. Our city should encourage safe biking.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Janet Kibbee
Penacook

Tuite, Deborah

From: dmjbbear@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 10:48 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: AMEND THE PURCHASE FROM CSX to a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor

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To Mayor Champlin and Members of the Concord City Council,

My request is to proceed with the purchase of the rail corridor from CSX ONLY if the corridor can be a **RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor**. A RAIL WITH TRAIL would benefit the City of Concord, as a tourist attraction with minimum environmental impact, support local businesses, as well as jobs, and THE lease payments from the existing rail biking operation could assist with maintenance of the corridor.

The city of Concord can benefit from BOTH RAIL BIKING and WALKING-BIKING TRAILS.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

David M. Johnson

Tuite, Deborah

From: Christopher Lefevre <christopher.lefevre@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 10:23 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please keep Scenic RailRiders, Build a Trail with Rail PLEASE!

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Please build a trail with rail to keep Concord's Largest tourist attraction Scenic RailRiders!

As a patron of the Scenic Rail Riders, it would be tragic to lose such a unique experience that allows those who are less able to enjoy a rail trail to be brought along for the experience outdoors with family!

Thank you for your time,
Christopher Lefevre

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jack Landry <jacklandry001@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:59 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with trail corridor

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Sincerely,

Jack Landry

Tuite, Deborah

From: Sheryl Cheney <sherylcheney26@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:51 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack greenway expansion

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Hello, my husband and I will be out of town and not be able to attend the meeting on 8/11/25 about the expansion of the greenway trail.

Please know that we are very much in support of the city acquiring the railroad from Loudon road to Sewell's falls. We ride often ride the Northern rail trail and love being able to stay active without having to ride the roads that have become increasingly dangerous. Please represent our thoughts at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Sheryl and Don Cheney

Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: Maureen Gauthier <maureeng914@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:06 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic rail riders

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Please use the drafted email below and send to the following address:

cityclerk@concordnh.gov

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Sincerely,

Maureen Gauthier

(Your Name)

Maureen Gauthier



Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Rick Gauthier <rg@gauthierconstruction.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 9:04 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic

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Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: George Demeritt <gademerritt@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 8:25 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Proposed purchase of railroad tracks from CSX.

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The members of the Concord city Council are reviewing the purchase of the railroad tracks from CSX. If that is the decision I strongly urge the council to maintain the rail with trail operation. Rail biking is popular because it is a diversion for families and adults to enjoy. RAIL WITH TRAIL is a family business that has worked hard to provide this scenic trail for families. It also gives families an opportunity to visit Concord if they hadn't in the past.

In essence, I oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it could become a rail with trail corridor. Thank you for your consideration.
George Demeritt, Middleton, Massachusetts

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Karl Simon <khsimon21@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 10, 2025 1:32 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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Sincerely,

Karl Simon

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ashley Lupo <ashleylupo4@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 11:45 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail WITH Trail

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Sincerely,

Ashley Lupo

Tuite, Deborah

From: Anastasia Makovey <amakovey99@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 11:38 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railroad

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Sincerely,

Anastasia

Tuite, Deborah

From: Marcia Slote <mgslope@verizon.net>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 7:24 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail

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Sincerely,

Marcia Slote
Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: K. Sawyer <katiee24@tds.net>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 9:16 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail trail

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Sincerely
Katherine Sawyer

Tuite, Deborah

From: jamie gingras <jamiemarie510@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 8:38 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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Sincerely,

Jamie Fisher

Tuite, Deborah

From: Emma Bernier <emmaebernier@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 6:02 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for Scenic Railriders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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Sincerely,
Emma Bernier

Tuite, Deborah

From: Eric Fleming <fleminge@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 4:00 PM
To: Kretovic, Jennifer; * City Clerk
Subject: In support of rail purchase

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Dear Mx. Kretovic and City Councilors,

I'm writing in support of the rail purchase by the City of Concord.

While I can appreciate that Scenic Rail Riders is a family business, in my opinion the two cannot coexist. As an organization they have failed to reach out and engage me as a neighbor and when I have sought clarifications on how they might propose coexisting, they have again failed to respond with substantive responses leaving me to conclude that the only way forward is for the city to acquire the railroad and in the process terminate their lease and clear the way for many more to enjoy biking, walking, and winter sports along the trail.

I regularly ride my bike and run in the Sewalls Falls area with my girls. It provides us with opportunities for exercise and connection to the outdoors. Adding to the trail system here would increase my use, benefit property owners in the district and enhance the lives of other Concordians and visitors alike.

Thank you,
Eric Fleming
1 Flume Street
Concord, NH 03303

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jennifer Betournay <jennifer.betournay@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 3:29 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Hello,

I wanted to express my support for the city purchasing property to become part of the rail trail. Having access to trails like this that are open to all/ multi use (i.e., not used solely for a for-profit venture like Scenic Rail Riders) helps make Concord an appealing place to live, and the more (longer, connected) trails the better!

Thanks,
Jennifer Betournay
Shaker Rd, Concord

Tuite, Deborah

From: kaunas <kaunas@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 2:25 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Rail Trail

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Dear Council,

As a Concord resident since 1967, lifetime cyclist and co-author of "Thirty Bicycle Tours in New Hampshire," I seek your continued generous support of the Merrimack River Rail Trail through our city.

A trail with a Concord gap in this jewel would force some riders, walkers, kids in strollers and their mothers into trafficked streets.

Most respectfully,

Adolphe Bernotas
45 Bog Road
Penacook

603-894-7284

Sent from my Galaxy

Tuite, Deborah

From: Lauren Roughsedge <lauren.roughsedge42@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 2:00 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Bike rail removal

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To whom it may concern,

The bike rail is a way to bring revenue into the city of Concord. The fact that the council is deliberating over something that will bring money into the city and a walking path. From a business perspective that is a complete misjudgment. I believe that the council is more business savvy than that considering, that Thomas J. Aspell Jr. has attended not only the Suffolk business school but also Harvard. He must be aware that a quick money grab is not better than a business that will bring hundreds if not thousands of people into the city. This will allow not only scenic rail riders but also all of the businesses in the city to make money in the long term. If the council is only thinking about making money for themselves then so be it but it will be known to the residents of concord that the council does not care for those business or the community.

Please reconsider your decision,
Lauren Roughsedge

Tuite, Deborah

From: mjorazi <mjorazi@aol.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 1:13 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Rail Trail

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Hello,

I would like to express my support for the MRGTrail and the acquisition of the property. It would be a big mistake to lose this property and interrupt the Concord trail progress.

I have been a resident of Concord since 2009. I have biked the existing trail and see that it is used daily by mother's with strollers, walkers and cyclists.

Regards,
Margaret Orazi
45 Bog Rd.
Concord
Sent from my Galaxy

Tuite, Deborah

From: Misha Wyatt <mishawyatt1@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 12:44 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic rail trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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Sincerely,

Misha A. Wyatt

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ellienne Noonan <lentherese@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 12:11 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Sincerely,
Ellienne Noonan

Tuite, Deborah

From: Amy Fallica <arfallica@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 12:06 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail!

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Sincerely,

Amy Fallica

Tuite, Deborah

From: Holly Cooper <hollycohencooper@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 12:06 PM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: Ward Cooper
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Dear City Councilmembers,

We are residents of Concord and we are writing in support of the City purchasing the land in the rail bed from the Pierce Manse to the Hannah Dustin Memorial to add to the Merrimack River Greenway Trail. We support the trail and think it benefits Concord residents, others living in the area, and visitors.

We understand that the Scenic Railriders oppose the proposal. While some people may pay them a good chunk of money to ride the rails once, many more of us would enjoy the chance to hike for free and repeatedly. Since it would not be a one-time activity, residents would get much more value out of it.

Thanks for considering our input.

Sincerely,

Holly & Ward Cooper
131 N State St, Unit 4
Concord, NH 03301

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Holly Cooper
hollycohencooper@gmail.com
301-412-4819

Tuite, Deborah

From: Samantha Audette <samanthaanh@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 11:47 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railroad Track

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Sam Kelly

Tuite, Deborah

From: Felice Burstein <feliceburstein131@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 10:31 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Hello,

I am writing to voice my strong support for the purchase of additional land to extend the Merrimack County Greenway. This trail will provide recreation opportunities, access to Merrimack River and adjacent open space and connect with other trails. My husband and I love to ride our bikes on rail trails which provide a safe alternative to riding on roads. These type of trails will be a draw for downtown Concord.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Felice Burstein
Concord, NH resident

Tuite, Deborah

From: Paul McLaughlin <mclaughlinpgp@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 10:31 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can also become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and the additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Paul McLaughlin

Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: Felice and John <roxby4@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 10:06 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack Greenway

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Good morning!

This email is to communicate that I strongly support the purchase of additional land to extend the Merrimack County Greenway. Multi-use trails are a wonderful, low-cost way to increase the vibrancy of any city and Concord is no exception! My wife and I love to ride our bikes on rail trails and the trip always involves a stop along the way for a meal!

Regards,
John Roxby

Tuite, Deborah

From: kristen obrien <jchhobrien@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 9:24 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Save Scenic Railriders
Attachments: Save the Rail Trail.zip

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Please find the attached document.

Please use the drafted email below and send to the following address:

cityclerk@concordnh.gov

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

(Your Name)

Signed by:

Justin O'Brien

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Tuite, Deborah

From: Amber Bassett <amber.j.shifflett@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 8:11 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail WITH Trail Corridor

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Amber Bassett

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~Amber Bassett

617 839 6692

Tuite, Deborah

From: Denise Vaillancourt <denise@dstreamd.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 8:04 AM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: Denise Vaillancourt
Subject: I support the rail line acquisition

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Hi

I strongly support the city's acquisition of the rail line from Horseshoe Pond north. The extension of the rail trail will offer a much needed recreation and commuting option through Concord! I urge the council to approve the acquisition.

-Denise Vaillancourt
Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Monica Desalvo <monica_desalvo@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 7:53 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for Scenic Railriders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor.

The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from Scenic RailRiders railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Monica DeSalvo
Markos Hankin
~In support of SCENIC RAILRIDERS~

Tuite, Deborah

From: Susan O'Connor <susanoc@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 7:45 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Dear Concord City Council,

The Merrimack River Greenway Trail represents a long-term vision for a shared, inclusive, and publicly accessible recreational resource, one that can benefit residents of all ages, connect neighborhoods, and enhance Concord's appeal as a livable and active community. Converting this corridor into a rail trail would serve the broader public interest and contribute lasting value to the city.

While I recognize the popularity of Scenic Railriders and appreciate the creativity of their operation, their five-year license was understood to be a temporary use. That license should not now become a reason to derail the community's opportunity to gain a permanent, multi-use trail. This property has too much potential as a lasting public asset to be restricted for the exclusive use of a single business.

Rail trails across the country have proven to be successful economic drivers while also providing low-impact recreation to a wide spectrum of users. These users include walkers, cyclists, runners, families, and visitors. Making this corridor public would allow thousands of Concord residents and tourists to enjoy it freely, every day, in every season.

I urge the City Council to stay focused on the long-term public benefit. Please move forward with the purchase of this property so that it may become the rail trail so many in our community have envisioned.

Thank you for your service and consideration.

Susan O'Connor
Concord resident

Tuite, Deborah

From: Nicole Fox <nicolech@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 2:40 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support of purchase of CSX property for the MRGT

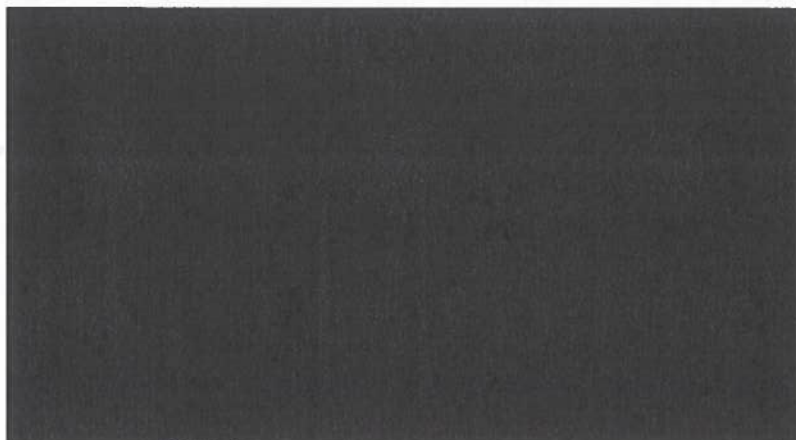
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I am writing in support of the City's proposed purchase of land from CSX for use as part of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail. This long-awaited purchase opportunity will provide a vital link for the non-vehicular transportation network and allow for cyclists to connect from Concord to Boscawen and points north on the Northern Rail Trail. The supporters of the MRGT have worked incredibly hard to raise money and advocate to bring this trail to fruition.

I am aware the a business is advocating to change the P&S agreement with CSX to include rail with trail and I have seen some of the materials they've provided to support that. When this business began operation, they were aware of the long-term plans for this corridor. The width they are suggesting for a shared right-of-way would limit the functionality of the trail in the long and short term. The existing Northern Rail Trail experiences more walking and biking traffic than this width would support and nearly all users need to drive to access it because our state's roadways do not support safe and comfortable use for most who would like to bicycle. Connections from Concord where users could access the trail without first using their vehicles would generate many more users.

Not only is this an important transportation connection between Concord and communities to the north along the Northern Rail Trail, but it will also have economic benefits to our community. Vermont has long invested more in active transportation than NH and has seen these benefits materialize. I've linked some information about the benefits seen from just one of these trails.

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Thank you,
Nicole Fox
Ward 5

Tuite, Deborah

From: Vincent Catalanotto <vincestools@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 11:29 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

We visited this summer from San Diego, California and just loved this attraction! Our son lives in New Hampshire and we plan to do the rail tour each summer when we visit! It would be a shame if the rail tour was no longer available. It is a unique experience!!

Sincerely
Vince and Suzanne Catalanotto
760-300-9147
vincestools@yahoo.com

Tuite, Deborah

From: Justine Pitman <justinepitman13@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 10:40 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Save the rail trail!!!!

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails, alongside its historic properties of being a railroad town. Please save these features for our future generations to see and learn about hands on!

Sincerely,

Justine West

Tuite, Deborah

From: Benjamin West <westbenjamin787@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 10:39 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Save the Rail Trail!!!

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Sincerely,

Benjamin West

Tuite, Deborah

From: Donna Dias <scrubbin2001@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 10:05 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railroad

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Hi I feel that the railway would be better suited as a rail trail for travel and safety for the many bicyclist in the area .
Please keep with the plan to extend our rail trails for the use of travel and fitness for many people .
Thank you
Donna Dias

[Yahoo Mail: Search, Organize, Conquer](#)

Tuite, Deborah

From: S Woods <susanwoodsnnh@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:41 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: CSX Land Purchase Item 36G Concord City Council 8/11/25

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Please share with the Mayor and City Council,

I am writing in support of the purchase of the rail corridor from CSX. This project has been in the works for many years now. And unfortunately delayed by various railway mergers. This stretch of rail corridor is a critical piece of multiple rail trails and is a key piece of a future rail trail from Salem to Lebanon. Some of the rail trails that will be impacted by this are the [Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail](#), [The Merrimack River Greenway](#), and the [Northern Rail Trail](#).
[NH Rail Trail Coalition](#).

The Concord Monitor did an article describing some of the obstacles that the railtrail folks have had to overcome <https://www.concordmonitor.com/Northern-Rail-Trail-57024894>.

This is from the City of Concord's website describing this project.
<https://www.concordnh.gov/1967/Merrimack-River-Greenway-Trail>

Scenic RailRiders was incorporated as a for profit company in May of 2019 and received a five-year operating license from CSX. It was known from the beginning that their use could potentially be incompatible with the plans for a rail trail. They've always known of the rail trail plans and that they might be incompatible with the business they decided to grow despite the potentially limited lifetime of the venture.

Please do not let another obstacle slow down a safe rail trail recreational corridor through Concord.

Susan Woods
11 Dwinell Drive
Concord, NH 03301

Tuite, Deborah

From: Hal Glode <glodehal@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:25 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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Sincerely,
Halladay Glode

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Halladay Glode
(she/her/hers)
1/2 Grade Teacher
"Have courage and be kind"

Tuite, Deborah

From: Marshall Craig <marshallb129@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:07 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: RAIL WITH TRAIL!!!

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Marshall Craig

Tuite, Deborah

From: Gale Stone <vaguebagel23@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:05 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: I support the MRGT land purchase

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Hello,

I am writing to support the city's purchase of a plot of land in order to expand/continue the Merrimack River Greenway Trail. This organization has done an excellent job of constructing and maintaining their current trail portfolio and they provide a valuable service and space to the community. As cars become bigger and heavier, and population growth increases traffic and air pollution, having green spaces and pathways that are separated from traffic becomes even more essential. Please move forward with this purchase to allow them to provide an active transportation corridor that is sorely needed in the capital area.

Thank you,
Gale Stone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Timothy Blagden <tsblagden@clsrt.org>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:52 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: I support the City's Purchase of the railroad corridor from CSX

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Dear Mayor & City Council,

As a board member of the other rail trail in Concord, the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail, I fully support the city's purchase of the rail corridor from CSX that will become part of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail.

Longer trails generate more economic impact. This purchase enables a direct extension of the Northern Rail Trail and is an important piece of the Granite State Rail Trail which aims to stretch from the Mass border to Vermont. In Concord, the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail would deliver more impact if it could connect to the MRGT.

The purchase and the resulting rail trail would improve public health for Concord residents. There are multiple studies showing rail trails improve public health (physical and mental) in the neighborhoods close to the trail.

<https://headwaterseconomics.org/wp-content/uploads/trails-library-public-health-overview.pdf>

Rail trails have a positive effect on property values. They are a cherished amenity. We see trail users every day on the 2.5 miles we have in Concord and there is real excitement for us to build more in the city.

For these reasons and more I encourage the city to move forward with the purchase from CSX.

Sincerely

Timothy Blagden

Board President

Friends of the Concord-Lake Sunapee Rail Trail

Tuite, Deborah

From: Samantha Dunn <samdunnross@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:51 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please DO NOT sell the Rail Trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Sam Ross

Tuite, Deborah

From: Simon Pitman <simonvpitman@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:20 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic RailRiders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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Sincerely,

Simon Pitman

Tuite, Deborah

From: Scenic RailRiders <info@scenicrailriders.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:54 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Taking up the rails from Scenic Railriders

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This is the typical customer for Scenic Railriders, see their response. They only came to Concord because of Scenic Railriders!!!

Powering my home by the sun!!

Begin forwarded message:

From: Amanda Putnam <abrucefhi@hotmail.com>
Date: August 8, 2025 at 12:37:26 PM EDT
To: Scenic RailRiders <info@scenicrailriders.com>
Subject: Re: Scenic Railriders NEEDS YOUR URGENT HELP and SUPPORT!!

I sent the e-mail to support your business. We really enjoyed our trip with you. It's the only reason we came to Concord.

Thanks,
Amanda

From: Scenic RailRiders <info@scenicrailriders.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:46 AM
To: Scenic RailRiders <info@scenicrailriders.com>
Subject: Scenic Railriders NEEDS YOUR URGENT HELP and SUPPORT!!

Supporters of Scenic Railriders,

Scenic Railriders NEEDS YOUR URGENT HELP and SUPPORT!!

Our beloved tracks in Concord NH are being sold with plans to remove the rails. This means that rail biking will no longer be possible in Concord NH and thus Scenic Railriders would have to shut down operations.

We need your support! All we are asking is that the railroad is not sold, **UNLESS** there is a plan to keep the rails in place so that there can be a Rail WITH Trail.

To help us we need you to show your support for **RAIL WITH TRAIL**. We need you to email the Mayor of Concord NH and the City Council members regarding your opposition to purchasing

Tuite, Deborah

From: Danyel Conway <conwaydanyel@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:31 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail

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**Sincerely,
Danyel Conway**

Tuite, Deborah

From: ashley farese <fareseashley@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:24 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail/CSX

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Sincerely,

Ashley Pelletier

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: shamray <shamray@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:13 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Rail Riders

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Tuite, Deborah

From: stud <stud3740@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:53 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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Dear Mr. Mayor and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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Sincerely,

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Tuite, Deborah

From: Ethan LeBlanc <eleblanc2318@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:52 PM
To: * City Clerk
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Sincerely,

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Tuite, Deborah

From: Genieve Cardinez <gcardinez09@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:35 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to Approval of CSX Purchase Without Having A Rail with Trail

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Sincerely,

Genieve Cardinez

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jill Audino <jbean09@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:26 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposition to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with the trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I am writing to oppose the proposal to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX ***unless*** it becomes a **RAIL WITH TRAIL** Corridor. There is no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from the railbiking operation could help support maintenance of this corridor. There are also many other benefits of having such a tourist attraction in town, such as the jobs, recreation, and additional business it brings to the City. My husband and I recently visited Concord solely because of the railbiking tour offered there. We were pleased to also find a clean and vibrant downtown with good restaurants and local vendors/craftsmen.

I ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a **RAIL WITH TRAIL** so that Concord can benefit from combined railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Jill M. Audino

Tuite, Deborah

From: Leasiv Martinez-cruzado <leasivmartinezcruzado@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:17 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with trial

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Leasiv Martinez

Tuite, Deborah

From: Daniel Luccarelli <dcluccarelli@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 5:55 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose CSX sale

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Daniel Luccarelli

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ryan Alexander <taylorparkfootball@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 5:31 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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My family stayed in Concord one night last month on our way to Vermont and the only reason was to ride the rail bikes. It was an awesome experience and appeared to be very popular even though it was raining. I would say this most certainly brings tourists to your community.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

**Ryan Alexander
727-656-4151**

Tuite, Deborah

From: Matthew Fisk <Matthew.Fisk@unh.edu>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 5:19 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railroad: REMAIN RAIL WITH TRAIL!

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I'm reaching out to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot remain a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. It is perfectly fine to install an adjacent biking/walking path, but the rail needs to be guaranteed that it will stay. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having the unique tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Matthew A. Fisk
MCBT Graduate Student

Tuite, Deborah

From: Marybeth Klemm <marybeth@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 5:17 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail

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Sincerely,

Marybeth Klemm

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: April Gauthier <aprilgauthier@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 4:54 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with trail

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

**April Gauthier
201-281-9609**

Tuite, Deborah

From: Mike Shea <mikeshea23@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 4:42 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic rail riders. Always looked forward to our trips to concord rail riders, hope there is some way the city can step in to maintain the railway and add a trail to accommodate everyone.

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Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Patricia Kaminski <kaminski82@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 3:23 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIN corridor. There is no reason why the bike path can not run next to the Scenic Railroad.
The Scenic Railroad is a business that brings tourist from all over the country that spend money in your city with restaurants and Hotels every day.
It employees people from your city.
THANK YOU

Patricia Kaminski

Tuite, Deborah

From: Steven Clemens <slclemens777@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 3:00 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Steve Clemens

Tuite, Deborah

From: Brent Todd <brenttoddconcord@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 1:47 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Fwd: Rail Trail

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Could you please add this message to public comments received for item 36g/43 on Monday's City Council agenda.

Thanks,

Brent

Brent Todd
Ward 1 City Councilor
Concord, NH

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Carisa Corrow <carisacorrow@gmail.com>
Date: Fri, Aug 8, 2025 at 12:11 PM
Subject: Rail Trail

Hi,

Reaching out to let you know I support the purchase of the property that will help connect the rail trail from Concord to Boscawen. The rail is in my neighborhood and connecting it would be a valuable resource especially for folks that need to access the grocery store when the bus isn't running. There aren't any sidewalks if you walk through Boscawen, and the walk would be much shorter.

I see many folks coming across the very dangerous bridge from the island with grocery bags. Let's make it safer.

It would also make it possible for folks to commute to Concord via bicycle.

Thanks for your consideration,

Carisa Corrow
Penacook

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jane Loerch <janemarie310@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 1:25 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

**Sincerely,
Jane M Loerch**

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Brianna O'Connor <brianna.oconnor05@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 12:55 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Brianna O'Connor

Tuite, Deborah

From: Daniel Day <dday@awakeningrails.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 12:40 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: In Support of Preserving the Scenic Railriders Tracks

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Dear Mayor Champlin and Members of the Concord City Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for preserving the railroad tracks in the corridor currently used by Scenic Railriders. While I do not live in Concord, I am a fellow railbike tour operator working to open a new railbike operation in Maine. I have long admired Scenic Railriders as one of the region's most exceptional railbike tour experiences.

The line Scenic Railriders operates on is widely regarded as one of the premier railbike routes in New England. Its scenic route parallels the Merrimack River and winds through pastures and forests, passing several historic landmarks and taking visitors to two picturesque riverfront turnaround locations. This offers visitors a unique blend of natural beauty and historic charm.

Concord is very lucky to have this special attraction. Although the ownership is better equipped to discuss the economic impact in detail, I know that Scenic Railriders draws visitors from all over the country, contributing meaningfully to the local tourism economy. There is no shortage of recreational trails in the area, but should Scenic Railriders close, there would only be one existing railbike tour company in New Hampshire, and that company is corporate-owned. By contrast, Scenic Railriders is a locally owned small business founded by someone who spent two years pouring significant effort and passion into building it.

As a non-resident, I do not weigh in on the City's financial decisions. However, should the City proceed with the purchase of the line from CSX, I respectfully ask that every effort be made to preserve the tracks so Scenic Railriders can continue to operate. I suggest that railbike tour revenue could help support the construction and maintenance of a parallel trail within the corridor, providing multiple recreational opportunities for the community. Railroads are in demand again, so removing the tracks would be shortsighted.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter. Preserving the railroad corridor will protect a unique, beloved, and economically beneficial attraction for Concord and the surrounding region.

Sincerely,

Daniel Day
Durham, NH

Founder & CEO,
Awakening Rails LLC
(603) 397-2526
dday@awakeningrails.com

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jackie Smith <jackies@chkarch.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 12:39 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Rail Trails

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I can also tell you that the sole reason for my trip to Concord was for the Scenic Rail Trail ride which then turned into my shopping with friends at the city stores and having both lunch & dinner in the city restaurants. I have never been to Concord before and found it a lovely city that my friends & I really enjoyed our stay in. I have also spoken with friends & co-workers about my trip to New Hampshire & they want to go up to do the same now! I think the Rail Trail bikes are a nice addition to the other attractions of the area and should be kept as a destination activity that is not available in most areas of New England.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from rail biking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Jackie Smith

Tuite, Deborah

From: Amanda Putnam <abrucefhi@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 12:34 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: keep the railbike!

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Amanda Putnam

Tuite, Deborah

From: Dave Piemattei sr <davep10282@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 12:27 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Riders and Track Issue

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
David Piermattei
Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jen Daniels <nhladydivah@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 12:11 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Concord Rail bikes

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Sincerely,

Jennifer Daniels

**thanks & be well,
Jen**

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jack Dianis <jdianis@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 12:08 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Vote Yes on Horseshoe Pond Rail Trail Purchase

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Honorable Council,

My wife and I support the purchase and appropriation of funds to buy the 5.7 miles of rail line from Horseshoe Pond to the city's northern border and urge you to vote yes for this purchase.

This will be a wonderful recreational resource that will provide both an aging population and young families a place to safely ride their bikes or hike and enjoy Concord's beautiful scenery.

Thank you.

Jack and Linda Dianis
4 Kensington Rd,
Concord, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: drancour3@aol.com
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 11:10 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railbiking

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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Sincerely,

David Rancour

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jasmine Eldredge <jasmineeldredge1@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 11:00 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail

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Sincerely,

Jasmine & Ty

Tuite, Deborah

From: c rousseau <tinatcre@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 10:57 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Save Scenic Railriders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and the Members of the Concord City Council,
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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Scenic Rail Riders is an amazing experience with low noise, no pollution and gets people out in nature. Our family had the best time riding the rails and we hope that this business can be saved for future generations.

Thank You

Christina Rousseau
tinatcre@gmail.com

Tuite, Deborah

From: Joshua Grauel <joshuagrauel@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 10:56 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with a Trail Corridor

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Joshua Grauel

Tuite, Deborah

From: marc normandin <mgnormandin@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 10:51 AM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: Kim Normandin
Subject: Comment Regarding the Proposed Purchase by the City of the Railroad Property for 11 August Meeting

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Dear City Council:

We're strong supporters of the proposed purchase by the city of the rail line from Horseshoe Pond to the city line. We travel long distances to use rail trails because, although we enjoy cycling, it seems dangerous to share the road with cars and trucks these days. We have noticed that rail trails attract not only cyclists like us, but runners, walkers and families out for a stroll. High quality development follows. We strongly believe that a rail trail in Concord will be a big win for the City and therefore support the purchase of the land required.

Regards,

Marc and Kim Normandin
Pleasant Street
Concord

Tuite, Deborah

From: Nicholas Holmes <nick@nb-holmes.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 10:36 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: City Council Vote on Purchasing Rail Line

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Good morning:

We strongly support the proposal to acquire the abandoned rail line that runs north from Horseshoe Pond. A multiuse recreational trail connecting downtown to Penacook (and the Northern Rail Trail) will be a tremendous asset to our community.

Nicholas and Brigitte Holmes
131 N. State Street
Concord, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jaime Teixeira <teixeirajaimep@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:53 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support Scenic Railriders/ Rail With Trail Corridor

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Dear Mayor Champlain and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a Rail With Trail Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a Rail With Trail here, as lease money from railbiking operations could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having this tourist attraction in town. It not only creates jobs, and is a place for recreation, it also brings additional business and money to the city.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a Rail With Trail so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/hiking trails.

Sincerely,
Jaime Teixeira
Supporter of Scenic Railriders

Tuite, Deborah

From: Susan Teixeira <steixeira07@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:51 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support Scenic Railriders / Rail With Trail Corridor

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Sincerely,
Susan Teixeira
Supporter of Scenic Railriders

Tuite, Deborah

From: Gary LeBlanc <gary@gleblanc.us>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:40 AM
To: * City Clerk; 'Brent Todd'; Horne,Michele; Kretovic, Jennifer; kmcnamaraward4@gmail.com; Brown,Stacey; pwmclaughlin24@gmail.com; jim4concord@gmail.com; Ali Sekou; Schultz,Kris; Jeff Foote; Fennessy,Nathan; Sexton, Amanda; Keach, Fred; Kurtz,Judith; 'Byron Champlin'
Subject: Scenic RailRiders 880 Petitiioin Signatures 3 of 4
Attachments: Scenic RailRiders Petition Signatures 3of4.pdf

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Hello Mr. Mayor, City Councilors & City Clerk,

Please find 3 of 4 attached Scenic RailRiders Petition documents containing 880 peoples signature supporting keeping Scenic RailRiders in place in Concord NH.

Sincerely,
Gary LeBlanc, Owner
Scenic RailRiders

To the City Council for Concord, NH
Petition to Keep Scenic RailRiders Tourist Attraction
in Concord & Boscawen on their existing track.

	Name	Town	State	Zip Code	Signature
1	Jeima Mamonic	Manchester	NH	03104	
2	Jared Boxenbom	Concord	NH	03301	
3	Jessyca Shaw	Manchester	NH	03102	
4	John Riva	Holliston	MA	01746	
5	Ronald Miller	Derry NH	NH	03038	
6	Deb Miller	Derry, NH	NH	03038	
7	Louise Nolan	Avon, CT	CT	06037	
8	Jois Hales	Avon, CT	CT	06037	
9	Tanya Grenier	Boscawen NH	N.H.	03303	
10	Miles Dennis	Boscawen	NH	03303	
11	Conrad Grenier	Boscawen	NH	03303	
12	Kylie Grenier	Boscawen	NH	03303	
13	Maissa Ma	Vermont, Wash.	VT	05605	
14	Ben Perry	Barre Town	VT	05641	
15	Virginia E. Norford	Virgin E Norford	MA	01604	
16	Kate Norford	Kelley's	MA	01604	
17	Jennifer Norford	West Baylston	MA	01583	
18	Jenna Michael	Epsom	NH	03034	
19	Sophia Bishop	Wolfeboro	NH	03894	
20	Shawn Johnson	Concord	NH	03301	
21	Philp Bregan	Concord	NH	03301	
22	Kenneth Bregan	Concord	NH	03301	
23	Gerard G. Gano	Haverhill MA	MA	01832	
24	Carlynn Gano	Haverhill MA	MA	01832	
25	Ben Kohl	Alton, VT	NH	03801	
26	Daniel Brell	Exanston,	IL	60202	
27	Denna Smith	Claremont NH	NH	03743	
28	Jon Smith	Claremont NH	NH	03743	
29	Jeremy Smith	Claremont NH	NH	03743	
30	Chris Smith	Claremont NH	NH	03743	
31	DAVID Murphy	Andover, ME	ME	04001	
32	Anita McSheehan	Procheester N	NH	05868	
33	Erin Carey	Lamere MA	MA	01841	
34	Luis Lora	Lowell MA	MA	01851	
35	Christy Hall	New Sharon	ME	04955	
36	Alison Carter	Farmington	ME	04938	
37	Olivia Smothers	New Sharon	ME	04955	
38	Alanna Smothers	New Sharon	ME	04955	
39	Doug	Leeds	ME	04203	
40	Mike O'neal	Manchester	NH	03103	
41	Ernie Yary	Boscawen	NH	03303	
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1	Eryn Dunn	Concord	NH	03301	
2	Elaine Vitale	Concord	NH	03301	
3	Ralph Mason	Chelmsford	MA	01824	
4	Christine Piaz	Manchester	NH	03101	
5	Suzanne Kato	Concord	NH	03303	
6	MATTHEW PAUL	CONCORD	NH	03301	
7	Steven Keenan	Plainville	MA	01762	
8	Patricia Swartz	Chester	NH	03036	
9	Christine Lefterc	Manchester	NH	03102	
10	Esther Lefterc	Manchester	NH	03102	
11	Vrinda Puri	Nashua	NH	01863	
12	Dorrien Calogian	Nashua	NH	03062	
13	Kate Conneely	Derry	NH	03038	
14	Will Rochon	Derry	NH	03038	
15	Erica Gayco	Concord Gardner	MA	01410	
16	Dorel Goulet	GARDNER	MA	01400	
17	Christina Marsh	Townsend	MA	01469	
18	DUSTIN LEWIS	Fitchburg	MA	01420	
19	Nicole Kreidermacher	Quincy	MA	02169	
20	DAN SANZO	QUINCY	MA	02169	
21	Corey Turt	Attleboro	MA	02703	
22	Erin Parent	Manchester	NH	03102	
23	Megan Coreogan	Longsight	NH	03053	
24	Jesse Paron	Urbana	VT	05063	
25	Plumbe Torcetta	Taunton	MA	01874	
26	Colin Rossini	East Collins	VT	05650	
27	Heathr Onyuri	Manchester	NH	03102	
28	Ang Wong	Concord	NH	03301	
29	Chris Long	Concord	NH	03301	
30	Robert Gohalsky	Il	NH	03101	
31	Patricia Green	GaitHERSBURG	MD	20882	
32	Matthew Green	GaitHERSBURG	MD	20882	
33	Brian Gannon	Manchester	NH	03109	
34	Jason Gannon	Manchester	NH	03109	
35	Carrie MacLus	Princeton	NH	03865	
36	Brittany Kelleher	Hampstead	NH	03841	
37	Garnon Higgs	Manchester	NH	03102	
38	Paula Winter	London	NH	03301	
39	Hana Hille	Ramoth	NH	03880	
40	Guy Gaudet	Danville	NH	03819	
41	John Gaudet	Dan Limerick	ME	04048	
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1	Danielle Baada	Webster	MA	01570	<i>[Signature]</i>
2	Ryan M. Valle	Webster	MA	01570	<i>[Signature]</i>
3	Ad	St. Paul	NY	01464	<i>[Signature]</i>
4	Chris	So. Pl.	ME	04106	<i>[Signature]</i>
5	Benjamin Crane	Concord	NH	03303	<i>[Signature]</i>
6	Connie Leary	Salem	NH	03079	<i>[Signature]</i>
7	Sean Leary	Salem	NH	03079	<i>[Signature]</i>
8	Joseph R.	Milford	NH	03055	<i>[Signature]</i>
9	William Cagin	Providence	RI	02860	<i>[Signature]</i>
10	Matthew R. Dwyer	Providence	RI	02864	<i>[Signature]</i>
11	Mr. Andrea Garry	Barnstable	MA	02145	<i>[Signature]</i>
12	Diana Komke	Barnstable	MA	02144	<i>[Signature]</i>
13	Reid Squire	Somerville	MA	02145	<i>[Signature]</i>
14	Alissa Griffin	Londonderry	NH	03053	<i>[Signature]</i>
15	Michael Pyc	Burlington	MA	01805	<i>[Signature]</i>
16	Kathleen	Portsmouth	MA	03801	<i>[Signature]</i>
17	Derek Collier	Portsmouth	NH	03801	<i>[Signature]</i>
18	David Kaley	Opelika, AL	AL	36801	<i>[Signature]</i>
19	Julianna Lovellett	Opelika AL	AL	36801	<i>[Signature]</i>
20	STEPHEN IQOE	WATERBURY	MA	02473	<i>[Signature]</i>
21	DEBRA IQOE	WATERBURY	MA	02473	<i>[Signature]</i>
22	EVA SANTANDRIA	Waterbury	MA	02472	<i>[Signature]</i>
23	Tom Walker	Jamestown	IN	46147	<i>[Signature]</i>
24	Sharon Walker	Jamestown	IN	46147	<i>[Signature]</i>
25	Brandi LaFayette	Claremont	NH	03743	<i>[Signature]</i>
26	Lorena Hebert	Newport	NH	03773	<i>[Signature]</i>
27	Bruce Spurgeon	Franklin	NH	03235	<i>[Signature]</i>
28	Ruth Lamberson	Newport	RI	02804	<i>[Signature]</i>
29	Guadalupe Pina	Hopkinton	NH	03229	<i>[Signature]</i>
30	Don Noonan	Hopkinton	MA	03229	<i>[Signature]</i>
31	Carmella DeVita	Suffield	CT	06093	<i>[Signature]</i>
32	Stephanie DeVita	Suffield	CT	06093	<i>[Signature]</i>
33	Frank DeVita	Suffield	CT	06073	<i>[Signature]</i>
34	Stacy Patterson	Brooklyn	CT	06234	<i>[Signature]</i>
35	Mike Gibson	Brooklyn	CT	06234	<i>[Signature]</i>
36	Stephen Landell	Medford	MA	02155	<i>[Signature]</i>
37	James Landell	Medford	MA	02155	<i>[Signature]</i>
38	Julia Brown	Gloucester	MA	01930	<i>[Signature]</i>
39	Carlos Paez	Beverly	MA	01915	<i>[Signature]</i>
40	Jim Burnham	Antis	NH	03440	<i>[Signature]</i>
41	Nancy Burnham	Antis	NH	03440	<i>[Signature]</i>
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1	Allyssa Shorroock	Manchester	NH	03102	Allyssa Shorroock
2	Tara Hennessy	Boston	MA	02150	Tara Hennessy
3	Amy Pike	Salisbury	MA	01952	Amy Pike
4	Brian Hennessy	Medford	MA	02155	Brian Hennessy
5	Kendra Kate	Hudson	NH	03051	Kendra Kate
6	Christopher Kane	Hudson	NH	03051	Christopher Kane
7	Molly Wang	Litchfield	NH	03052	Molly Wang
8	Cheryl Anderson	Taunton	MA	02780	Cheryl Anderson
9	David J. McBae	Taunton	MA	02780	David J. McBae
10	Susan Sapien	Manchester	NH	03104	Susan Sapien
11	Richard Nantzen	Manchester	NH	03104	Richard Nantzen
12	Grady Guy	Woodstock	ME	04239	Grady Guy
13	Kayla Collette	Casco	ME	04015	Kayla Collette
14	Nicole Walker	New Bedford	MA	02745	Nicole Walker
15	William J. Vella	New Bedford	MA	02745	William J. Vella
16	William Gorman	Concord	NH	03301	William Gorman
17	Vanlee Persico	Concord	MA	01347	Vanlee Persico
18	Amanda Monick	Berlin	VT	05201	Amanda Monick
19	Cynthia MacMillan	Plymouth	MA	02360	Cynthia MacMillan
20	Ashwaya	Boston	MA	02150	Ashwaya
21	Jillian Fox	Concord	NH	03301	Jillian Fox
22	Margaret Sweeney	Salem	MA	01970	Margaret Sweeney
23	Caleb Dion	Salem	MA	01970	Caleb Dion
24	Daniel Sweeney	Reading	MA	01867	Daniel Sweeney
25	Dorothy Mahoney	Reading	MA	01867	Dorothy Mahoney
26	Eileen Sweeney	Reading	MA	01867	Eileen Sweeney
27	Dea Pedence	Westport	VT	05658	Dea Pedence
28	Kimberly Harrington	Hartford	VT	05046	Kimberly Harrington
29	Jillian Gorman	Woodstock	CT	06282	Jillian Gorman
30	Geoffrey Sharp	Woodstock	CT	06282	Geoffrey Sharp
31	Laila Rodriguez	Nashua	NH	03062	Laila Rodriguez
32	Tiffany Rodriguez	Nashua	NH	03062	Tiffany Rodriguez
33	Sherry McGrath	Peabody	MA	01960	Sherry McGrath
34	Jamie Carter	Londonderry	NH	03053	Jamie Carter
35	Mike Sullivan	Concord	NH	03301	Mike Sullivan
36	Rob C. Galt	Concord	NH	03303	Rob C. Galt
37	Meena Setar	Billerica	MA	01821	Meena Setar
38	Lauren Antonetti	Warpole	MA	02081	Lauren Antonetti
39	James Anzetti	Warpole	MA	02081	James Anzetti
40	Eric Murphy	Manchester	NH	03103	Eric Murphy
41	Anthony Shivers	Manchester	NH	03103	Anthony Shivers
42	Jeff Beland	Northbridge	MA	01534	Jeff Beland

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1	CHAD IS TOPHIA (MAY)	Lowell	MA	01852	
2	Mark Poor	MANCHESTER	NH	03103	Mark D Poor
3	Sheryl Poor	Manchester	NH	03103	Sheryl D Poor
4	Eric Crowley	Dover	NH	03820	
5	Amie Hinckley	Dover	NH	03820	
6	Alex R. Filler	Danbury	VT	05346	
7	Jim Pearson	Emmaus	PA	18049	
8	Mark Williams	Raymond	NH	03077	
9	Tiffany Castle	Raymond	NH	03077	Tiffany Castle
10	DAVE LEH	Montague	MA	01351	
11	Sheryl Leh	Montague	MA	01351	Sheryl Leh
12	Michelle Leh	Wendell	MA	01379	Michelle Leh
13	Jacob Boudis	Wendell	MA	01379	
14	Gary Budden	Montague	MA	01351	Gary Budden
15	Donald Swadlow	Springfield	MA	01106	
16	Gary Veroffe	Nashua	NH	03061	
17	Cheryl Leeber	Clinton	MA	01510	Cheryl Leeber
18	Carl Leeber	Clinton	MA	01510	Carl Leeber
19	Mike Brone	Nashua	NH	03064	
20	Elizabeth Matheson	Nashua	NH	03061	Elizabeth Matheson
21	Anna Carroll	Danvers	MA	01923	Anna Carroll
22	NATHAN LANGE	Farmington	ME	04938	
23	William J. Zander	Wendell	MA	01379	
24	Mike Hise		NH	03061	
25	Peter Is. Hise	Concord	NH	03303	
26	Legna Alvarado	Concord	NH	03303	
27	Viktor Galois	Concord	NH	03303	
28	Anthony Andrusco	Concord	NH	03303	
29	Christy Andrusco	Concord	NH	03303	
30	Monica Bazarouni	Boston	MA	02118	MBazarouni
31	Monica Bazarouni	Boston	MA	02118	
32	Russell Gamm	Boston	MA	02118	
33	Frederick Galois	Boston	MA	02118	
34	Laurence G. Gamm	Boston	MA	02118	
35	Matthew P. Gamm	Boston	MA	02118	
36	Arti. Brian Grace	Boston	MA	02118	
37	Curtis Bousseau	Leominster	MA	01453	
38	JESSIE H. VANDER	Leominster	MA	01453	
39	Olivia Holcombe-Volke	Baltimore, MD	MD	21203	
40	Gandace Holcombe-Volke	Baltimore, MD	MD	21223	
41	Alicia Pike	Salisbury, MA	MA	01952	
42	Clinton Snyder	Manchester	NH	03102	

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Hello Mr. Mayor, City Councilors & City Clerk,

Please find 4 of 4 attached Scenic RailRiders Petition documents containing 880 peoples signature supporting keeping Scenic RailRiders in place in Concord NH.

Sincerely,
Gary LeBlanc, Owner
Scenic RailRiders

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1	Chris Atencio	Litchfield	ME	04350	[Signature]
2	Karla Holland	Anoka	MN	55303	[Signature]
3	Sam Chumley	Litchfield	ME	04350	[Signature]
4	Lindsay Fanning	Beverly	MA	01915	[Signature]
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12	Michael Ward	Dover	NH	03820	[Signature]
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14	Tom Forrest	Nashua	NH	03062	[Signature]
15	Brenda Ryan	Nashua	NH	03062	[Signature]
16	CHERYL FORREST	Nashua	NH	03062	[Signature]
17	Tim Ryan	Nashua	NH	03062	[Signature]
18	Diane Funk	Concord	NH	03301	[Signature]
19	Eric Funk	Concord	NH	03301	[Signature]
20	Arlene LaFauci	Ossipee	NH	03864	[Signature]
21	Albert LaFauci	Ossipee	NH	03864	[Signature]
22	Shela Olander	Fairfax	VA	22033	[Signature]
23	CURT OLANDER	"	"	"	[Signature]
24	Kristina Fernald	Pelham	NH	03076	[Signature]
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26	Chris Considine	Goffstown	NH	03045	[Signature]
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28	ROBERT PERRY	CHESTER	NH	03026	[Signature]
29	Tania Perry	Chester	NH	03026	[Signature]
30	Jordan Perry	Chester	NH	03026	[Signature]
31	Jennifer Doyle	Shilley, MA	MA	01464	[Signature]
32	Alicia Haffner	Epping	NH	03042	[Signature]
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37	David Lord	Lynchburg	OH	45142	[Signature]
38	Don German	Pembroke	MA	01958	[Signature]
39	Don German	Pembroke	MA	01958	[Signature]
40	Don German	Litchfield	NH	03052	[Signature]
41	Lisette Mackin	Litchfield	NH	03052	[Signature]
42	Mark Mackin	Litchfield	NH	03052	[Signature]

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2	Gerard DiChiara	Medford	MA	02155	Gerard DiChiara
3	Sean Kearty	Medford	MA	02155	Sean Kearty
4	Tim Williams	Northwood	NH	03261	Tim Williams
5	Wm Ralston	Rochester	NH	03868	Wm Ralston
6	Sarah Gandy	Durham	NH	03824	Sarah Gandy
7	Jon Zarnowsky	Durham	NH	03824	Jon Zarnowsky
8	Dan Fennel	Bedford	NH	03103	Dan Fennel
9	Guentherella	Pembroke	NH	03273	Guentherella
10	Jeremy Shugart	EXETER	NH	03833	Jeremy Shugart
11	Barbara A Wright	Concord	NH	03229	Barbara A Wright
12	Thomas A Wright	Concord	NH	03229	Thomas A Wright
13	William McGuire	Manchester	NH	03101	William McGuire
14	Phillip Harris	Manchester	NH	03101	Phillip Harris
15	Cindy Limb	Fitchburg	VT	05401	Cindy Limb
16	Andrew Bahr	Northfield	NH	03276	Andrew Bahr
17	Kimberly Bell	Northfield	NH	03276	Kimberly Bell
18	Darren Hamilton	Salem	NH	03079	Darren Hamilton
19	Kellen Hennen	Olivia	MA	01827	Kellen Hennen
20	James Kirtos	Derby	NH	03838	James Kirtos
21	Gail LaPointe	Graveland	MA	01834	Gail LaPointe
22	LARRY SAYERS	Hampton	NH	03842	Larry Sayers
23	Mikunika Haring	Portland	ME	04101	Mikunika Haring
24	Joe Hardy	Portland	ME	04103	Joe Hardy
25	Beth Whitsett	Auburn	NH	03058	Beth Whitsett
26	GRISSEL LOVENE	Dublin	NH	03444	GRISSEL LOVENE
27	MAURE CASSADY	Peterborough	NH	03458	MAURE CASSADY
28	Pat Tompkins	NYC	NY	10025	Pat Tompkins
29	Melissa Ryan	Dublin NH	NH	03444	Melissa Ryan
30	Bernard Kozlov	MILFORD NH	NH	03055	Bernard Kozlov
31	JESSICA BENNETT	Milford	NH	03055	JESSICA BENNETT
32	Sigal Koski	Concord	NH	03301	Sigal Koski
33	Marie Koski	Swansey	NH	03446	Marie Koski
34	Theresa Koski	Westmoreland	NH	03467	Theresa Koski
35	Marie A. Koski	Springfield	MA	01104	Marie A. Koski
36	Doug Koski	Concord	NH	03301	Doug Koski
37	Derek Skrzypczak	Burlington	VT	05403	Derek Skrzypczak
38	John Koski	SPRINGFIELD	MA	01104	John Koski
39	Danielle Krivenski	Burlington	VT	05403	Danielle Krivenski
40	Rifat Kirtan	Derby	NH	03838	Rifat Kirtan
41	Nerissa Kirtan	Amesbury	MA	01913	Nerissa Kirtan
42	John Kirtan	Amesbury	MA	01913	John Kirtan

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1	Emily Manning	Manchester	NH	03104	Emily Manning
2	Debbie Manning	Londonderry	NH	03053	Debbie Manning
3	Nicole Orlando	Billerica	MA	01821	Nicole Orlando
4	Joe Orlando	Billerica	MA	01821	Joe Orlando
5	Joe Vunuti	Billerica	MA	01821	Joe Vunuti
6	Lauren Vunuti	Billerica	MA	01821	Lauren Vunuti
7	Erika Hennen	Rutland	MA	01543	Erika Hennen
8	Betsy Hennen	Clivia	MA	01527	Betsy Hennen
9	Tennifer Weatherbee	Hampton	NH	03842	Tennifer Weatherbee
10	Patrick Randall	Seabrook	NH	03874	Patrick Randall
11	Michelle Sanborn	Springdale	ME	04083	Michelle Sanborn
12	Tony Sanborn	Springdale	ME	04083	Tony Sanborn
13	Tom Campbell	Hewston	MA	03858	Tom Campbell
14	Theresa Vachon	Ayer	MA	01432	Theresa Vachon
15	Anna Squaglia	Waltham	MA	02453	Anna Squaglia
16	Lorna Saunders	Nashua	NH	03064	Lorna Saunders
17	Richard Cogdy	Rindge	NH	03461	Richard Cogdy
18	Patricia Williams	Fitzwilliam	NH	03477	Patricia Williams
19	Patricia Williams	Fitzwilliam	NH	03477	Patricia Williams
20	Pat Cogdy	Rindge	NH	03461	Pat Cogdy
21	Amber Mello	Attleboro	MA	01703	Amber Mello
22	Anthony Vincent	Attleboro	MA	01703	Anthony Vincent
23	Joan Saunders	Pembroke	NH	03275	Joan Saunders
24	Megan Miller	Lowell	MA	01851	Megan Miller
25	Camryn Miller	Lowell	MA	01851	Camryn Miller
26	Alaya Bishop	Pembroke	NH	03275	Alaya Bishop
27	Dan Pelic	Nottingham	NH	03240	Dan Pelic
28	Bonnie Badolati	Goffstown	NH	03045	Bonnie Badolati
29	Anthony	Ware	NH	03281	Anthony
30	Deanne Cullen	Pembroke	NH	03275	Deanne Cullen
31	Paul Cullen	Pembroke	NH	03275	Paul Cullen
32	Heather McNeil	Merrimack	NH	03054	Heather McNeil
33	Alex Menez	Merrimack	NH	03054	Alex Menez
34	Pat Nigro	Quincy	MA	02169	Pat Nigro
35	Masha Kolomiyets	Quincy	MA	02169	Masha Kolomiyets
36	April H. Doolen	Randolph	VT	05060	April H. Doolen
37	Brittany Gonzalez	Randolph	VT	05060	Brittany Gonzalez
38	Andrew Doolen	Randolph	VT	05060	Andrew Doolen
39	Laetia Sweet	Randolph	VT	05060	Laetia Sweet
40	Peter Dias	Milford	MA	01757	Peter Dias
41	Hailey Wzboski	Keene	NH	03431	Hailey Wzboski
42	Rae	Keene	NH	03431	Rae

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1	CHRIS HINZ	Keene	NH	03471	
2	Barb Buckman	Misfurd	NH	03055	
3	D. Goncalves	Boacelin	NH	03030	
4	Brittany Boucher	Rochester	NH	03867	
5	Nick Inglese	Rochester	NH	03867	
6	Rolon Gustafson	Manchester	NH	03104	
7	Jam Ngo	Manchester	NH	03104	
8	George Tarrilva	Pennacott	NH	03303	
9	E. Schme Bridges	Pennacott	NH	03303	
10	Thomas Rafan	Waterville	ME	04901	
11	Wesley Ware	Waterville	ME	04901	
12	Sharon Sles	Danvers	MA	01923	
13	Nancy Zagany	North Reading	MA	01864	
14	Dane Pohl	Windham	NH	03087	
15	Erin McLaughlin	Boston, MA	MA	02129	
16	Christine Petersen	Boston, MA	MA	02129	
17	MARTHA DICKIN	Boston, MA	MA	02113	
18	PAUL NICOLE	Boscawen	NH	03303	
19	JOE DINEEN	Boscawen	NH	03303	
20	JOHANNES DANE	Boscawen	NH	03303	
21	Joselyn Kusan	Somerville	NH	03878	
22	Linda L. Green	Pensacola	FL	03801	
23	Sotheany Leap	Lowell, MA	MA	01852	
24	Alice Tru	Andover, MA	MA	01841	
25	Jim Stone	Merrimack, NH	NH	03054	
26	Robert Varga	Auburn, ME	ME	04210	
27	Diane Cellon	Auburn	ME	04210	
28	Megan Tru	Minot	ME	04758	
29	Joe Compeller	Newtown	CT	06812	
30	Kate Sullivan	Newtown	CT	06812	
31	Heath Doe	Gray, ME	ME	04760	
32	Bryan Roe	Haverhill, MA	MA	01832	
33	Rachel Roe	Haverhill	MA	01832	
34	Serena Rucci	Milton, NH	NH	03851	
35	Curtis Johnson	Milton, NH	NH	03851	
36	Jonathan King	Northfield, NH	NH	03276	
37	Sarah King	Northfield, NH	NH	03276	
38	Katrina Backus	Barrington, NH	NH	03825	
39	Marshall Roy	Barrington, NH	NH	03825	
40	Allison Pearl	Lyndonville, VT	VT	05851	
41	Danielle Pelton	St. Johnsbury, VT	VT	05819	
42	Janelle Macade	Oxford, ME	ME	04270	

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1	Josh Ian	Malden	MA	02148	Josh Ian
2	Clay Cheryl	Allston	MA	02134	Clay Cheryl
3	Shailyn Flynn	Derry	NH	03038	Shailyn Flynn
4	Chris Chik	Derry	NH	03038	Chris Chik
5	MEORMAN	SEABROOK	NH	03874	MEORMAN
6	Linda German	Haverhill	MA	01830	Linda German
7	Keith McDonald	Milford	NH	03055	Keith McDonald
8	WOLKE JONES	MONT VERNON	NH	03057	WOLKE JONES
9	Melissa McLaughlin	Worcester, MA	MA	01605	Melissa McLaughlin
10	Rebecca Hoyt	Jaffrey, NH	NH	03452	Rebecca Hoyt
11	Scott Parent	Jaffrey, NH	NH	03452	Scott Parent
12	Jessi Parent	Jaffrey NH	NH	03452	Jessi Parent
13	Chris Hoyt	Jaffrey NH	NH	03452	Chris Hoyt
14	FELICIA JONES	MONT VERNON, NH	NH	03057	FELICIA JONES
15	NICOLAS HARVEY	MANCHESTER	NH	03104	NICOLAS HARVEY
16	Amanda Riley	Manchester	NH	03104	Amanda Riley
17	Brian Plummer	Exeter	NH	03823	Brian Plummer
18	MARINE KUH	Exeter	NH	03833	MARINE KUH
19	Rebecca Gabryjelski	Methuen	MA	01844	Rebecca Gabryjelski
20	Chris Derommes	West Warwick	RI	02893	Chris Derommes
21	Amber Allen	WEST WARWICK	RI	02893	Amber Allen
22	Tyler Hekey	Concord	NH	03301	Tyler Hekey
23	William Hickley	Concord	NH	03301	William Hickley
24	Matthew Thorne	Manchester	NH	03103	Matthew Thorne
25	Kelsey Sanders	Manchester	NH	03103	Kelsey Sanders
26	Keith Symar	Manchester	NH	03103	Keith Symar
27	Kevin Symar	Winchester	NH	03070	Kevin Symar
28	Kim Britt	Manchester	NH	03101	Kim Britt
29	Adam Sawyer	SPRING	NH	03042	Adam Sawyer
30	Jennifer Louvin	Merrimack	NH	03054	Jennifer Louvin
31	Test Paulin	Methuen	MA	01841	Test Paulin
32	Danella Sagan	Manchester	NH	03450	Danella Sagan
33	Randy Seymour	Londonbury	NH	03053	Randy Seymour
34	KEB BOWEN	DEERING	NH	03044	KEB BOWEN
35	MARINA WILK	Stow	MA	01775	MARINA WILK
36	Daniel Hubbard	South Portland	ME	04106	Daniel Hubbard
37	Jer Hubbard	South Portland	ME	04106	Jer Hubbard
38	Daniel Talbot-Stiz	Nashua	NH	03062	Daniel Talbot-Stiz
39	Brian Pheneas	Cotham	NH	03045	Brian Pheneas
40	Stephanie Pheneas	Cotham	NH	03045	Stephanie Pheneas
41	MEGAN HAGGETT	CONCORD	NH	03301	MEGAN HAGGETT
42	Isabella Smith	Dorham	NH	03820	Isabella Smith

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1	Shamus Adams	Dorham	NH	03821	Shamus Adams
2	Fred Bouly Jr	Deering	NH	03244	Fred Bouly Jr
3	Christy Blawie Morris	Boscawen	NH	03303	Christy Blawie Morris
4	Brian Mark	Boscawen	NH	03347	Brian Mark
5	Caitlyn McCabe	N Andover	MA	01845	C. McCabe
6	Dan Lennan	Hopkinton	NH	03229	Dan Lennan
7	Dana Lennan	"	NH	03229	Dana Lennan
8	Mr. [unclear]	Myrmouth	NH	03254	Mr. [unclear]
9	Don [unclear]	Winnick	NH	03054	Don [unclear]
10	Kim Fortune	Westminster	MA	01473	Kim Fortune
11	Nick Fortune	Westminster	MA	01473	Nick Fortune
12	Tad [unclear]	Weare	NH	03045	Tad [unclear]
13	Ashlynd Gates	Weare	NH	03045	Ashlynd Gates
14	PAUL TRUDEAU	HOOKSETT	NH	03106	Paul Trudeau
15	Yvonne Trudeau	Hooksett	NH	03106	Yvonne Trudeau
16	Isabella Petrev	Hooksett	NH	03106	Isabella Petrev
17	Charles Gillespie	Hooksett	NH	03106	Charles Gillespie
18	Sarah Emmons	Wayne	ME	04284	Sarah Emmons
19	Maggie Pratt	Wayne	ME	04284	Maggie Pratt
20	Sarah Emmons	Wayne	ME	04284	Sarah Emmons
21	Andrew [unclear]	Westwood	MA	02091	Andrew [unclear]
22	Daniel Foley	Essex	NH	03301	Daniel Foley
23	Jonathan Barr	Westborough	MA	01581	Jonathan Barr
24	John A Hills	Manchester	NH	03104	John A Hills
25	Cindy Sargent	Weare	NH	03281	Cindy Sargent
26	Chase Woodard	Rockland	MA	02370	Chase Woodard
27	Madison Boulay	Exeter	MA	01540	Madison Boulay
28	[unclear]	Kalish	NH	03403	[unclear]
29	Sara Jedrzynski	Dartley	MA	01871	Sara Jedrzynski
30	Krista Caswell	Tewksbury	MA	01876	Krista Caswell
31	Celia Caswell	Phillips	MA	01871	Celia Caswell
32	EMMA CASWELL	TEWKSBURY	MA	01870	Emma Caswell
33	Joseph Caswell	Tewksbury	MA	01876	Joseph Caswell
34	Corey Shea	Salem	MA	01970	Corey Shea
35	Van [unclear]	Franklin	NH	03235	Van [unclear]
36	CHARLES COPE	Franklin	NH	03235	Charles Cope
37	Peggy Forest	EPSOM	NH	03234	Peggy Forest
38	James Brown	Hamden	CT	06519	James Brown
39	Emma Smith	Granby	CT	06035	Emma Smith
40	Cindy [unclear]	Granstonbury	CT	06033	Cindy [unclear]
41	Alan Swift	Granby	CT	06035	Alan Swift
42	Chris [unclear]	Granby	CT	06035	Chris [unclear]

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1	Cheryl Crozier	Saco	ME	04072	Cheryl Crozier
2	Kobi Perry	Livermore	ME	04253	Kobi Perry
3	Patricia Kovatti	Sagamore	MA	02561	Patricia Kovatti
4	Cynthia Mullen	Mashpee MA	MA	02649	Cynthia Mullen
5	HAROLD HAMILTON	BOSCAWEN	NH	03308	Harold Hamilton
6	Kara Denoncourt	CONTOOCOOK	NH	03299	Kara Denoncourt
7	Marie Ohs	Loudon	NH	03307	Marie Ohs
8	Shawn Goddard	Loudon	NH	03307	Shawn Goddard
9	Ann Mullen	"	"	"	Ann Mullen
10	Steve Ohs	LOUDON	NH	03307	Steve Ohs
11	Ken Clark	BREWSTER	NH	03833	Ken Clark
12	Don Chasno	Brewster	NH	03833	Don Chasno
13	Kyan Malabre	Auburn	MA	01501	Kyan Malabre
14	Cassie McCarthy	Manchester	NH	03102	Cassie McCarthy
15	Wanda Berry	Woburn	NH	03894	Wanda Berry
16	David Stout	Ossipee	NH	03864	David Stout
17	RICHARD CLARK	ATTIEBORO	MA	01703	Richard Clark
18	KATHRYN LEBLANC	Norfolk	MA	02056	Kathryn LeBlanc
19	Samantha Fafard	ASHLAND	NH	03817	Samantha Fafard
20	Suzanne Benoit	Westford	MA	01886	Suzanne Benoit
21	Robert Benoit	Westford	MA	01886	Robert Benoit
22	Sophie Sherman	Keene	NH	03431	Sophie Sherman
23	Nikolas Milane	Keene	NH	03431	Nikolas Milane
24	Larry Clark	Keene	NH	03431	Larry Clark
25	Billy Kenville	Keene	NH	03431	Billy Kenville
26	Bob Lobel	Burlington	MA	01803	Bob Lobel
27	Marissa Kelly	Burlington	MA	01803	Marissa Kelly
28	Brenda Terrio	Loudon	NH	03307	Brenda Terrio
29	John Cole	Manchester	NH	03103	John Cole
30	Ed & Anne Cole	MAINE	NH	03102	Ed & Anne Cole
31	Ed Cole	Loudon	NH	03307	Ed Cole
32	Joe Biden	Washington DC	DC	?	Joe Biden
33	ERNEST WILLARD	Washington	MD	07061	Ernest Willard
34	Tom Gann	Fairfax	VA	22031	Tom Gann
35	MELISSA JARVIS	WELLS	ME	04090	Melissa Jarvis
36	Christine Amara	Dartmouth	MA	02148	Christine Amara
37	Victor Mendonca	Dartmouth	MA	02148	Victor Mendonca
38	BRAD Donahue	Boston	MA	02116	Brad Donahue
39	Dina Safe	Boston	MA	02116	Dina Safe
40	William Roche	Chatham	NJ	07928	William Roche
41	Julia Lin	Chatham	NJ	07928	Julia Lin
42	Julia Ekert	Chatham	NJ	07928	Julia Ekert

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1	Randel Carson	Manchester	NH	03107	Randel Carson
2	James Nigens	Newtonborough	NH	03254	James Nigens
3	Myles Garton	Bedford	NH	03110	Myles Garton
4	Sarah Theimer	Lee	NH	03861	Sarah Theimer
5	Greg Ewing	Lee	NH	03801	Greg Ewing
6	Michelle Christen	Manchester	MA	03103	Michelle Christen
7	Paul Christen	Manchester	NH	03103	Paul Christen
8	Kerry Crossman	Newton	NH	03858	Kerry Crossman
9	Patricia MacDonald	N. Andover	MA	01845	Patricia MacDonald
10	John John	Concord	NH		John John
11	John John	Concord	NH	03785	John John
12	John John	Concord	NH	03301	John John
13	CRAGA NEAL	Hatfield	MA	01088	CRAGA NEAL
14	Gary Shapiro	Hatfield	MA	01088	Gary Shapiro
15	Tommy	Keene	NH	03431	Tommy
16	Mike No	Keene	NH	03431	Mike No
17	Clara Lark	Sandown	NH	03873	Clara Lark
18	Samie Burke	Sandown	NH	03873	Samie Burke
19	Helena Sankar	Ludlow	MA	01056	Helena Sankar
20	MICHAEL LANGUITZ	LUDLOW	MA	01056	MICHAEL LANGUITZ
21	Nich Langlitz	Ludlow	MA	01056	Nich Langlitz
22	CHRIS LANGUITZ	LUDLOW	MA	01056	CHRIS LANGUITZ
23	Kyle Remillard	Salisbury	MA	03106	Kyle Remillard
24	Shelby MacPherson	Spring	NH	03106	Shelby MacPherson
25	Vibron Tivendi	Westboro	MA	01581	Vibron Tivendi
26	Stephanie Tivendi	Westboro	MA	01581	Stephanie Tivendi
27	Kyle Tivendi	Westborough	MA	01581	Kyle Tivendi
28	Dominic Kudgel	Ashby	MA	01431	Dominic Kudgel
29	Patricia Bell	Manchester	MA	03104	Patricia Bell
30	Owen Tyrrell Jr.	Raynham	MA	02767	Owen Tyrrell Jr.
31	Nicole Tyrrell	Raynham MA	MA	02767	Nicole Tyrrell
32	Alexia Collin	Ellington	NH	03276	Alexia Collin
33	Danielle Camaruzi	Northfield	NH	03276	Danielle Camaruzi
34	Kennedy Lawrence	Goffstown	NH	03045	Kennedy Lawrence
35	Nick White	Goffstown	NH	03045	Nick White
36	Chris Philibotte	Manchester	NH	03103	Chris Philibotte
37	Kayla Hart	Haverhill	MA	01830	Kayla Hart
38	Steven Hart	Haverhill	MA	01830	Steven Hart
39	Amy Cook	Manchester	NH	03107	Amy Cook
40	Julie Cook	Manchester	NH	03107	Julie Cook
41	Marolyn Cook	Amherst	NH	03031	Marolyn Cook
42	Tami Baker	Candia	NH	03031	Tami Baker

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1	Tan Cook	Portsmouth	NH	03801	Tan Cook
2	Bonnie Cook	Portsmouth	NH	03801	Bonnie Cook
3	Bob Cunn	Portsmouth	NH	03801	Bob Cunn
4	Tim Essick	Boscawen	NH	03110	Tim Essick
5	Evan Cook	Portsmouth	NH	03801	Evan Cook
6	ETM Lamore	Medford	MA	02155	ETM Lamore
7	Margaret Godbout	Medford	MA	02155	Margaret Godbout
8	Seamus Fergione	Seagus	MA	01906	Seamus Fergione
9	Stefan Fergione	Seagus	MA	01906	Stefan Fergione
10	Kelvin Bressette	Boscawen	NH	03303	Kelvin Bressette
11	Michael Dester	Boscawen	NH	03303	Michael Dester
12	Tony Guerrero	Dover	NH	03820	Tony Guerrero
13	Lynne Guerrero	Dover	NH	03820	Lynne Guerrero
14	U. Ganes Brown	Seagus	MA	01906	U. Ganes Brown
15	Jamelle Brown	Seagus	MA	01906	Jamelle Brown
16	Tina DeMeyer	Nashua	NH	03063	Tina DeMeyer
17	Emily Burns	Merimack	NH	03054	Emily Burns
18	Miranda Colombo	Concord	NH	03301	Miranda Colombo
19	Cody Lopes	Concord	NH	03301	Cody Lopes
20	Hannah Hoban	Acton	MA	01720	Hannah Hoban
21	Megann Guerrero	Barnfield	CT	06012	Megann Guerrero
22	James Lacey	Webster	MA	01570	James Lacey
23	Lynn Guillette	Dorset	MA	01540	Lynn Guillette
24	Nicole Guizette	Keene	NH	03431	Nicole Guizette
25	Sherry Boy	Concord	NH	03301	Sherry Boy
26	Releigh Kelpstad	Medford	MA	02155	Releigh Kelpstad
27	Shawn Smith	Boscawen	ME	04537	Shawn Smith
28	Sarah Grover	Georgetown	ME	04548	Sarah Grover
29	Rachel Kenna	Wendell	MA	01882	Rachel Kenna
30	Ben Hoban	Medford	MA	02155	Ben Hoban
31	Anthony Schiavone	Templeton	MA	01476	Anthony Schiavone
32	Amanda Graham	Templeton	MA	01476	Amanda Graham
33	Karen Case	Manchester	NH	03104	Karen Case
34	Orwell Case	Manchester	NH	03104	Orwell Case
35	Jared Case	Allentown	NH	03075	Jared Case
36	Melinda Federico	Auburn	NH	03032	Melinda Federico
37	Jessy Gaudin	Boston	MA	02136	Jessy Gaudin
38	Miguel Diaz	Boston	MA	02136	Miguel Diaz
39	Elizabeth Bronson	Bennington	NH	03442	Elizabeth Bronson
40	Denise LAURETTE	Longderry	NH	03053	Denise LAURETTE
41	Al Fanning	Longderry	NH	03053	Al Fanning
42	Jim Bronson	Bennington	NH	03442	Jim Bronson

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1	Paul Brown	Belham	NH	03076	Paul Brown
2	Lawrence Glowacki	Brentwood	NH	03833	Lawrence Glowacki
3	TOM Glowacki	BRENTWOOD	NH	03833	Tom Glowacki
4	Nancy Stallworth	Bellingham	MA	02019	Nancy Stallworth
5	Rebecca Connor	Storrsford	CT	06614	Rebecca Connor
6	Eric Cotton	Storrsford	CT	06614	Eric Cotton
7	Amelia Kotuski	Canterbury	NH	03224	Amelia Kotuski
8	Emma Kotuski	Canterbury	MA	02149	Emma Kotuski
9	SCOTT NOYES	DEERING	NH	03244	Scott Noyes
10	Parker Noyes	Deering	NH	03244	Parker Noyes
11	Kianna Carter	Washington	NH	03280	Kianna Carter
12	Karen Noyes	Deering	NH	03244	Karen Noyes
13	Jeannette Waucho	Taunton, MA	MA	01876	Jeannette Waucho
14	Kelci Parker	Arundel, ME	ME	04046	Kelci Parker
15	Michael Morse	Biddeford, ME	ME	04005	Michael Morse
16	John Berrini	Newton	NH	03858	John Berrini
17	Karol Berrini	Newton	NH	03858	Karol Berrini
18	Tim Marcoulier	Lynnfield	MA	01940	Tim Marcoulier
19	Danielle DiNola	Shrewsbury MA	MA	01545	Danielle DiNola
20	Jean DiNola	Shrewsbury	MA	01545	Jean DiNola
21	Aurelie Petherbridge	Concord	NH	03301	Aurelie Petherbridge
22	Aurelie A. Petherbridge	Taunton	MA	01876	Aurelie A. Petherbridge
23	KARI WHITT	MANCHESTER	NH	03102	Kari Whitt
24	Kristopher Winarz	Manchester	NH	03102	Kristopher Winarz
25	JOHN SUMMERS	MANCHESTER	NH	03102	John Summers
26	Cindy Summers	Manchester	NH	03102	Cindy Summers
27	Dave Vroom	Hampton	NH	03842	Dave Vroom
28	Sallie Vroom	Hampton	NH	03842	Sallie Vroom
29	Joshua Alcorn	Hudson	NH	03051	Joshua Alcorn
30	Tenn Damaras	Pepperell	MA	01463	Tenn Damaras
31	Steven Dixon	N. Reading	MA	01864	Steven Dixon
32	Nike Garbarz	Litchfield	NH	03052	Nike Garbarz
33	Sarah Garbarz	Litchfield	NH	03052	Sarah Garbarz
34	Nicole McInnes	Wilmington	MA	01887	Nicole McInnes
35	Andrew Murray	Wilmington	MA	01887	Andrew Murray
36	Robin Coffey	Peabrook	NH	03874	Robin Coffey
37	Shawn Coffey	Peabrook	NH	03874	Shawn Coffey
38	Joe B...	Walpole NH	NH	03608	Joe B...
39	Darlene Bissone	Walpole NH	NH	03608	Darlene Bissone
40	Nicole Delcourt	Concord NH	NH	03303	Nicole Delcourt
41	John ...	Hudson NH	NH	03051	John ...
42	John PARADES	Rochester NH	NH	03866	John Parades

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2	Donna [unclear]	Stratford	VT	03884	[Signature]
3	Nancy Parades	Rochester	NH	03866	[Signature]
4	Ryan Parades	Gonic	NH	03839	[Signature]
5	KATELYN DAVIS	Salem	NH	03079	[Signature]
6	Ivor Davis	Salem	NH	03078	[Signature]
7	Jennifer Klodner	Concord	NH	03301	[Signature]
8	Josh Muzic	Concord	NH	03301	[Signature]
9	Annette Clooney	Storham Ma.	MA	02180	[Signature]
10	Linda Johnson	Brockton MA	MA	02302	[Signature]
11	Kim Windt	Storham MA	MA	02180	[Signature]
12	Molly Bullis	Rochester	NH	03867	[Signature]
13	Connor Tyler	Stratham	NH	03885	[Signature]
14	Zoe Aulet	Litchfield	NH	03052	[Signature]
15	Michelle Aulet	Litchfield	NH	03052	[Signature]
16	TODD TURMEL	Raymond	NH	03077	[Signature]
17	JAVA DEVALUVA	NASHUA	NH	03060	[Signature]
18	Jaime Lindholm	Londonderry	NH	03053	[Signature]
19	Dianna Lindholm	Londonderry	NH	03053	[Signature]
20	MARIE Lorden	Webster	NH	03303	[Signature]
21	Wanda Bryant	Helena	ME	04238	[Signature]
22	Shelle Parades	Wilton	ME	04294	[Signature]
23	Linda A. Jacques	Wilton	ME	04294	[Signature]
24	Sharon Dale	W. Spfld.	MA	01087	[Signature]
25	Bob Bishop	Feeding Hills	MA	01070	[Signature]
26	Jeff Sexton	W. Spfld.	MA	01087	[Signature]
27	Marque Bishop	Feeding Hills	MA	01070	[Signature]
28	Marissa Cote	Livermore Falls	ME	04254	[Signature]
29	Cassidy Sexton	Derry	NH	03038	[Signature]
30	Steve Karalish	Derry	NH	03038	[Signature]
31	Glenda Sackrison	Methuen MA	MA	01844	[Signature]
32	Carl Sackrison	Methuen MA	MA	01844	[Signature]
33	Madison Vernet	Warwick	RI	02893	[Signature]
34	Ben Grant	Cranston	RI	02920	[Signature]
35	Jerome Veil	Concord	NH	03301	[Signature]
36	Mark Michelman	Somerville	MA	02143	[Signature]
37	Caitlin Maxnan	Concord	NH	03301	[Signature]
38	Ann Currence	Mashua	NH	03063	[Signature]
39	Christa Whitence	Mashua	NH	03063	[Signature]
40	Marie Murphy	Storham	MA	02180	[Signature]
41	Mark Sandorich	Sway Mass	MA	02190	[Signature]
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2	Shannon Valliere	Concord	NH	03301	Shannon Valliere
3	Chris Perry Jr	Concord	NH	03301	Chris Perry Jr
4	Danielle Dubois	Concord	NH	03301	Danielle Dubois
5	Jason Sirois	Concord	NH	03301	Jason Sirois
6	Karl Baur	Haverhill	MA	01830	Karl Baur
7	Catherine Brunelle	Haverhill MA	MA	01832	C. Brunelle
8	Eric Brunelle	Haverhill	MA	01832	Eric Brunelle
9	Wendy Miller	Rowley	MA	01969	Wendy Miller
10	Karen Rhodes	Berthelboro	VT	05301	Karen Rhodes
11	Rock Adams	Lincoln	RI	02865	Rock Adams
12	Matt Varnay	Leicester MA	MA	01524	Matt Varnay
13	Dan T. Doherty	"	"	"	Dan T. Doherty
14	Kathleen L. Bacon	Roxbury	NH	03303	Kathleen L. Bacon
15	Karen Bacon	Stafford, NH	NH	03590	Karen Bacon
16	David R. Bacon	Stafford, NH	NH	03590	David R. Bacon
17	GLENN BACON	PENACOOK NH	NH	03303	GLENN BACON
18	Betsy Tomasewicz	Silverthorne, CO	CO	80905	Betsy Tomasewicz
19	Mary Ann Allsup	Concord N	NH	03303	Mary Ann Allsup
20	Gretchen Allsup	Concord NH	NH	03303	Gretchen Allsup
21	Colin Angel	Trumbull	CT	06611	Colin Angel
22	Marylou Angel	Trumbull	CT	06611	Marylou Angel
23	Sean McIlwain	Bedford NH	NH	0310	Sean McIlwain
24	Heidi Nolan	Goffstown, NH	NH	03045	Heidi Nolan
25	Shirley Kolosky	Fitchburg, MA	MA	01420	Shirley Kolosky
26	William Burt	Fitchburg MA	MA	01420	William Burt
27	Mark Ekberg	Beverly, N.H.		03303	Mark Ekberg
28	LAURIE EKBERG	"	N.H.	03303	LAURIE EKBERG
29	GEORGE EKBERG	"	N.H.	"	GEORGE EKBERG
30	CHRISTINE EKBERG	"	N.H.	"	CHRISTINE EKBERG
31	Christine Panteras	Biddeford	ME	04005	Christine Panteras
32	Andrew Panteras	Biddeford	ME	04005	Andrew Panteras
33	Jennifer Roberts	Franklin, NH	NH	03235	Jennifer Roberts
34	Allison Gnozer	Middleton MA	MA	01949	Allison Gnozer
35	Nick Cook	Salem NH	NH	03079	Nick Cook
36	Elizabeth Rogue	New Ipswich	NH	03071	Elizabeth Rogue
37	Sylvia Trillo	New Ipswich	NH	03071	Sylvia Trillo
38	Daniel Rogue	New Ipswich	NH	03071	Daniel Rogue
39	Olivia Giroux	Jaffrey	NH	03452	Olivia Giroux
40	Mark Dion	Jaffrey	NH	03450	Mark Dion
41	Mary Burnham	Weare	NH	03281	Mary Burnham
42	Shawn Burnham	Weare	NH	03281	Shawn Burnham

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	Name	Town	State	Zip Code	Signature
1	Anthony Ceras	Zipswich	MA	01938	Anthony Ceras
2	DANIEL CROCK	IPSWICH	MA	01938	Daniel Crock
3	Paula Caveno	Graton	MA	01450	Paula Caveno
4	Ray S. Brown	Hollis	NH	03049	Ray S. Brown
5	Steve Brown	Hollis	NH	03049	Steve Brown
6	Jenn Campbell	Dover	NH	03820	Jenn Campbell
7	Sarah Shervanian	Eliot	ME	03903	Sarah Shervanian
8	Alan Bul	Essex Jct. VT.	VT	05452	Alan Bul
9	Brandon Beauchemin	Essex Jct. VT.	VT	05452	Brandon Beauchemin
10	A.J. Beauchemin	Milton, VT	VT	05468	A.J. Beauchemin
11	Rachelle Beauchemin	Essex, VT		05452	Rachelle Beauchemin
12	Erin McConnell	Belmont, MA	MA	02478	Erin McConnell
13	Dominic Mann	Belmont, MA	MA	02478	Dominic Mann
14	Carolina Almonte	Chelsea, MA	MA	02150	Carolina Almonte
15	Maria Mahony	Chelsea, MA	MA	02150	Maria Mahony
16	Minda Hall	Peterborough	NH	03451	Minda Hall
17	Brian G	Peterborough	NH	03458	Brian G
18	Che Sean Ouellette	Webster	NH	03303	Che Sean Ouellette
19	Bardon Coyer	Webster	NH	03303	Bardon Coyer
20	Melinda Unstad	Hopkinton	NH	03229	Melinda Unstad
21	Nathan Unstad	Hopkinton	NH	03229	Nathan Unstad
22	Suzanne Carmichael	Concord	NH	03301	Suzanne Carmichael
23	Kelly Constantino	Taunton MA	MA	01876	Kelly Constantino
24	Rich Constantino	Taunton MA	MA	01876	Rich Constantino
25	Evelyn Reyes	Lawrence MA	MA	01843	Evelyn Reyes
26	Peter Leuk	Lawrence, MA	MA	01843	Peter Leuk
27	Alissa LaFrance	Hillsboro, NH	NH	03744	Alissa LaFrance
28	Christina Arnech	Rochester NH	NH	03868	Christina Arnech
29	Alexander Latten	Rochester	NH	03868	Alexander Latten
30	Denise Fox	Rochester, VT	NH	05867	Denise Fox
31	Margaret Robinson	Buxton, ME	ME	04093	Margaret Robinson
32	James Laurzon	Buxton	ME	04093	James Laurzon
33	Juan Palmeter	Kingston	NH	03848	Juan Palmeter
34	Colleen Giambarrisi	Lyman	NH	03858	Colleen Giambarrisi
35	Michelle Penna	Lyman	ME	04002	Michelle Penna
36	Brian Peasley	Lyman, ME	ME	04002	Brian Peasley
37	Ellen Peterson	Newton MA	MA	02458	Ellen M. Peterson
38	Timothy Jomada	Atkinson, NH	NH	03811	Timothy Jomada
39	Alex Fredella	Mannum	MA	01844	Alex Fredella
40	Nicole Bump	Coffstown	NH	03045	Nicole Bump
41	Ryan Bump	Coffstown	NH	03045	Ryan Bump
42	Karen Fisher	Belham	NH	03076	Karen Fisher

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1	Dyrol Stegeris	Concord	NH	03076	[Signature]
2	Nike Monetti	Concord	NH	03301	[Signature]
3	Katelynne True	Westbrook	ME	04092	[Signature]
4	Christian De Jesus	Lowell	MA	01854	[Signature]
5	Roshelley Morales	Dracut	MA	01826	[Signature]
6	Michelle Regan	Butterfield	MA	01821	[Signature]
7	David E. Valente	Saugus	MA	01906	[Signature]
8	Steve James	Concord	MA	01738	[Signature]
9	Atty Brown	MA 01738	MA	01738	[Signature]
10	Myra	Bedford	MA	01436	[Signature]
11	Chris Nickerson	Chatham	MA	02650	[Signature]
12	Brittany Reese	Chatham	MA	02650	[Signature]
13	Charles (Luis)	Hooksett	NH	03045	[Signature]
14	Spence Pearl	Hooksett	NH	03046	[Signature]
15	Nicole Pearl	Hooksett	NH	03046	[Signature]
16	GREG ISABEL	Quincy	MA	02169	[Signature]
17	Linda Culley	Laconia	NH	03246	[Signature]
18	Jessica McKinn	Bedford	NH	03110	[Signature]
19	Jessica Isabel	Quincy	MA	02169	[Signature]
20	Melanie Lacombe	Ware	NH	03281	[Signature]
21	TEKKI WARD	MA 01461	MA	01830	[Signature]
22	Marcelle Houlton	Portsmouth	NH	07801	[Signature]
23	Pearl Hooksett	Portsmouth	NH	03801	[Signature]
24	Michael Deagen	Boston	MA	02129	[Signature]
25	Emily Deagen	Boston	MA	02129	[Signature]
26	Beric Hill	New Ipswich	NH	03071	[Signature]
27	Jordan Hill	Derry, NH	NH	03038	[Signature]
28	James Hill	New Ipswich, NH	NH	03071	[Signature]
29	Ceara Hill	Hudson, NH	NH	03051	[Signature]
30	Bob Stegler	Ware, MA	MA	01081	[Signature]
31	BOB WENTZELL	BROOKFIELD MA	MA	01506	[Signature]
32	DONNA WENTZELL	BROOKFIELD MA	MA	01506	[Signature]
33	Robin Starbuck	Ware	MA	01081	[Signature]
34	Ruth McCall	Ware	MA	01081	[Signature]
35	Kevin McCall	Ware	MA	01081	[Signature]
36	Tim Horgan	Burlington	MA	01803	[Signature]
37	Joanne Horgan	Burlington	MA	01803	[Signature]
38	Joe Monie	Burlington	MA	01821	[Signature]
39	Michelle Ewing	Burlington	MA	01801	[Signature]
40	Andrea Land	Burlington	NH	03801	[Signature]
41	Mark Higgins	Burlington	NH	03801	[Signature]
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1	Julie Higgins	Portsmouth	NH	03801	Julie Higgins
2	Ann Bell	London	NH	03307	Ann Bell
3	Travis Candor	London	NH	03307	Travis Candor
4	Lyann Matheson	Harkset	NH	03106	Lyann Matheson
5	Ellen Mulholland	Harkset	NH	03106	Ellen Mulholland
6	Mark Delic	Billerica	MA	01821	Mark Delic
7	Suzanne M. Hefner	Waltham	MA	02453	Suzanne M. Hefner
8	Ken Tigger	Concord	NH	03301	Ken Tigger
9	Bob Tigger	Concord	NH	03301	Bob Tigger
10	Kristine Segun	Westminster	MA	01473	Kristine Segun
11	Rob Segun	"	MA	01473	Rob Segun
12	Josmya Grady	Salem	ME	04005	Josmya Grady
13	Travis Sampson	Salem	ME	04005	Travis Sampson
14	Feraza Azimov	Lebanon	NH	03766	Feraza Azimov
15	Andy Bertalavasiu	Lebanon	NH	03766	Andy Bertalavasiu
16	Kaitlynn Pratt	Bellows Falls	VT	05101	Kaitlynn Pratt
17	Jim Conakes	Bellows Falls	VT	05101	Jim Conakes
18	James Cross	Worthfield	NH	03276	James Cross
19	George J. Nelson	NORTHFIELD	NH	03276	George J. Nelson
20	Mandy Paquette	Franklin	NH	03235	Mandy Paquette
21	Nancy Paquette	Northfield	NH	03276	Nancy Paquette
22	Felicity Defosses	Franklin	NH	03235	Felicity Defosses
23	Courtney Defosses	Franklin	NH	03235	Courtney Defosses
24	Rachel Horan	Charlestown	NH	03403	Rachel Horan
25	Kirsten Metivier	Hartland	VT	05052	Kirsten Metivier
26	Sarah Fikus	Gardiner	ME	04845	Sarah Fikus
27	John Fikus	Gardiner	ME	04845	John Fikus
28	John Mason	Manchester	NH	03101	John Mason
29	Erin Hargreaves	Salem	NH	03079	Erin Hargreaves
30	Chris Hargreaves	Salem	NH	03079	Chris Hargreaves
31	Kelley Decoste	Northingham	NH	03890	Kelley Decoste
32	Kristina Friling	Sandown	NH	03823	Kristina Friling
33	Craig Sullivan	Nashua NH	NH	03063	Craig Sullivan
34	Krissy Suppa	Nashua NH	NH	03063	Krissy Suppa
35	Samantha Kennealy	Winchendon MA	MA	01475	Samantha Kennealy
36	Ben Suppa	Winchendon MA	MA	01475	Ben Suppa
37	Ed O'Connor	Keene, NH	NH	03431	Ed O'Connor
38	Samantha Steiner	Tewksbury MA	MA	01876	Samantha Steiner
39	Max Tazola	Tewksbury MA	MA	01876	Max Tazola
40	Cynthia Finch	Keene, NH	NH	03431	Cynthia Finch
41	Dan Meola	Bedford, MA	MA	01750	Dan Meola
42	Maxayra Dayan	Bedford, MA	MA	01730	Maxayra Dayan

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2	Matthew Chiras	Boxford	MA	01921	Matthew Chiras
3	Shawn Foster	Leicester	MA	02151	Shawn Foster
4	Lidia Nicholls	Boston	MA	02121	Lidia Nicholls
5	Whitton Bai	Baie	MA	02151	Whitton Bai
6	Elizabeth Splain	Cambridge	MA	02140	Elizabeth Splain
7	Joe Conley	Amherst	MA	01913	Joe Conley
8	REBECCA DUE	GRAFTON	NH	03440	Rebecca Due
9	Jacob Schercher	Tampa	FL	33762	Jacob Schercher
10	Sarah Blasse	Tampa	FL	33762	Sarah Blasse
11	Laurapademas	Salem	NH	03848	Laurapademas
12	Kristen Citelli	Derry	NH	03838	Kristen Citelli
13	Heim Anson	Portsmouth	NH	03801	Heim Anson
14	Colton McInnes	Albany	NH	03278	Colton McInnes
15	IONYA Robie	Concord	NH	03301	IONYA Robie
16	Samir Shah	Lexington	MA	02421	Samir Shah
17	Geem Smith	Lexington	MA	02421	Geem Smith
18	CRISTIN ABRAMS	CONCORD	NH	03303	CRISTIN ABRAMS
19	Kenneth Mingo	Concord	NH	03303	Kenneth Mingo
20	Zoraida Martinez	Lynn	MA	01907	Zoraida Martinez
21	Miguel Fuentes	Lynn	MA	01907	Miguel Fuentes
22	Claudia Galeas	Chelsea	MA	02150	Claudia Galeas
23	Becky Brulliard	Westfield	MA	01085	Becky Brulliard
24	CHANDLER TRINING	WESTFIELD	MA	01085	Chandler Trining
25	Lauren Shea	Fremont	NH	03044	Lauren Shea
26	Ashley Pine	Fremont	NH	03044	Ashley Pine
27	Chad	Waterbury	MA	01567	Chad
28	Corbin Schreiber	Waterbury	MA	01567	Corbin Schreiber
29	Danielle White	Manchester	NH	03102	Danielle White
30	Michael Camile	Manchester	NH	03102	Michael Camile
31	William Nolan	Boston	MA	02108	William Nolan
32	Courtney Nolan	Boston	MA	02062	Courtney Nolan
33	Carleigh Haff	Wells	ME	04090	Carleigh Haff
34	Andrew Skeats	Wells	ME	04090	Andrew Skeats
35	Deanna Stamps	Dennistown	VT	05344	Deanna Stamps
36	Eric Maguire	Boston	MA	02103	Eric Maguire
37	Zach Manni	Boston	MA	02117	Zach Manni
38	Anne Magner	Lynn	MA	01905	Anne Magner
39	Tim Maloney	Lynn	MA	01905	Tim Maloney
40	Ben Kimbrell	Plainville	MA	02762	Ben Kimbrell
41	Kim Daring	Shapleigh	ME	04076	Kim Daring
42	Rachel Daring	Shapleigh	ME	04076	Rachel Daring

Tuite, Deborah

From: Meaghan McLarey <meaghanmclarey@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:35 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of csx purchase without having a rail with trail!

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Meaghan McLarey
Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Susan Neydorff <susan.neydorff@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:32 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: MRGT

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I strongly support the purchase of the property that would allow a 5.7 mile rail trail from Horseshoe Pond to the city's northern border.
Susan Neydorff

Tuite, Deborah

From: Robyn Larochelle <robyns2kids@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:30 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Concord Railway

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Sincerely,

Robyn Larochelle
Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: caseygoodrich90@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:26 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Sincerely,
Casey Goodrich

Tuite, Deborah

From: Bri Bathalon <brbathalon@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:25 AM
To: * City Clerk
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Sincerely,
Brianna Bathalon

Tuite, Deborah

From: Amber Smith <arsmith41189@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:22 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Save The Rails

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Sincerely,

Amber Smith (Maine)

Tuite, Deborah

From: Karen Carbone <karencarbo@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 9:12 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail

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Sincerely,
Karen Carbone

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Tuite, Deborah

From: Elvana Cocoli <ELVICOCOLI@YAHOO.COM>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:57 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with trail

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Sincerely,
Elvana Cocoli

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Tuite, Deborah

From: Daniel Sheehan <danjsheehan777@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:56 AM
To: * City Clerk
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Sincerely,
Dan Sheehan

Tuite, Deborah

From: Sejfulla Çoçoli <selfococoli@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:55 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with trail

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Sincerely,
Selfo Cocoli

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jeffrey Moore <jtmoore0520@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:55 AM
To: * City Clerk
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Sincerely,
Jeffrey Moore

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jessica Kender <jkender2000@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:55 AM
To: * City Clerk
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Sincerely,

Jessica Kender

Tuite, Deborah

From: Klesta Cocoli <kcocoli.kc@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:54 AM
To: * City Clerk
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Sincerely,
Klesta Cocoli

Tuite, Deborah

From: Fabian, Todd
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:51 AM
To: Bonenfant, Janice; Tuite, Deborah
Subject: Letter in Support of Rail Trail Aug 8 2025
Attachments: Letter in Support of Rail Trail Aug 8 2025.docx

Importance: High

Hello,
I hope it's not too late to get this testimony in for Monday.
Thank you!

Todd Fabian, MLS, M.Ed.
Director



Concord Public Library
45 Green St
Concord, NH 03301
tfabian@concordnh.gov
(603) 230-3680

Dear Mayor and City Councilors,

I am writing to endorse the purchase of the railroad track from CSX to help connect the River Greenway Trail. I have biked portions of this trail as well as many other New England rail trails and it would be wonderful to be able to one day start in Concord and eventually head north to Vermont or south to Massachusetts.

Many individuals, organizations, towns, and communities across the state have literally laid the track for 58 miles from Lebanon to Boscawen, and are counting on Concord to complete our respective portion of trail. I believe the idea of creating or continuing some sort of "pay for rail biking" alongside doesn't fit the intended scope of the Northern Rail Trail and will delay or potentially dissolve the project.

The Northern Rail Trail, and rail trails in general, are about equitable and free access to enjoy nature, leave technology at home and get some exercise.

Sincerely,

Todd & Holly Fabian

Tuite, Deborah

From: Cassie Audette <caudette29@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:43 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposition to sale of CSX unless RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor plan

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,



Tuite, Deborah

From: Doriana Cocoli <cocolidori@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:37 AM
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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Doriana Cocoli

D. C.

Tuite, Deborah

From: eazy76@charter.net
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:34 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: scenic railriders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Gina Pickett

Tuite, Deborah

From: Cynthia Carmichael <crcar@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:26 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail with Trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the purchase of the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a Rail with Trail corridor. The visitors and residents of Concord would benefit from BOTH rail biking and the walking/ biking trails.

Sincerely,
Cynthia Carmichael

Tuite, Deborah

From: Amy Evans <amy@amyevans.us>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 5:46 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: For 8/11/25 Concord City Council Meeting

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Hello City Council Members.

I am writing to encourage you to purchase the 5.7 mile rail line encompassing Horseshoe Pond to the city's northern border. This purchase would only enhance Concord's existing trail system that so many of us enjoy.

Thank you.

Amy Evans
60 Mulberry Street
Concord NH

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ryan Hvizda <ryan@hvizdateam.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:57 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support of Rail Trail Purchase

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Dear Concord City Council,

I am writing in strong support of the City's purchase of the 5.7-mile railroad corridor for the purpose of creating a community trail.

This investment will provide a lasting benefit to the greater Concord community for generations to come. While private business interests may focus on specific portions of this corridor, their plans are ultimately subject to market conditions and would serve a limited purpose. In contrast, a trail is a public asset that serves everyone, including residents, visitors, and future generations.

As a local Realtor, I work closely with people moving to Concord, many of whom are drawn here because of the area's abundant recreational opportunities. These assets are often intangible yet immensely valuable, enhancing quality of life, strengthening our community, and increasing the appeal of Concord as a place to live, work, and invest.

The addition of this trail would further elevate Concord's reputation as a vibrant, connected, and forward-thinking city. I urge you to move forward with the purchase and ensure this unique opportunity is preserved for public use.

Thank you for your time and commitment to our community.

Sincerely,

Ryan Hvizda

Hvizda Realty Group



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Tuite, Deborah

From: Dave Grinnell <dgrinnell19@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 8:24 PM
To: * City Clerk

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,
I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City. We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.
Sincerely,

David Grinnell

Tuite, Deborah

From: Debra Rivest <debrarivest@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:17 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail

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We recently visited Concord to try out the rail trail. While there we went to the LLBean outlet and a few stores. We stopped at Feathered Friends and had BBQ. The beer and food was great! They had a band setting up to play. Nice surprise! We brought a tee shirt and some beer home for a later date to share with friends. We had a great time. We posted pictures and told friends and family of the great time we had. I think the rail trail is a great asset to the city and will grow in popularity bringing in revenue to the city. It would be a shame to sell the tracks. Please reconsider. Thank you.

Debra Rivest
715 Hurricane Road, Keene, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: Anthony Eastwood <tonyeastwood@mac.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:14 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposition to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

We would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can remain a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why it cannot continue to be used as such.

The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

We, with family with friends, have enjoyed this experience more than a few times now traveling in from West Chesterfield NH.

Sincerely

Anthony Eastwood
West Chesterfield, NH 03466

Tuite, Deborah

From: swhitt13 <swhitt13@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:12 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railing with Trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a Rail with Trail Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a Rail with Trail Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a Rail with Trail here, as lease money from rail biking operation could help support maintenance of the Corridor. There are so many benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with jobs, recreation and additional business it helps bring to the city.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this Corridor a Rail With Trail so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trail

Sincerely, Scott Whittredge

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kate Joyce <k8ouellette3@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:12 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: RAIL WITH TRAIL

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

**Sincerely,
Katie Joyce**

Tuite, Deborah

From: D + M Scharlotte <dsmsbs@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:09 AM
To: * City Clerk; Jeff Foote
Subject: CSX rail purchase

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Hello Mayor Champlin and council -

Please accept this email with our support of the purchase of the CSX rail corridor to continue expansion of the MRGT at your August 11th meeting. We have enjoyed many paved trails like the MRGT elsewhere including a trip covering the length of the state of Ohio from Cleveland to Cincinnati and look forward to seeing MRGT expand in Concord.

In our experience using these trails elsewhere, they bring lots of activity, support for businesses and a general boost to quality of life in the area.

David and Monique Scharlotte

Tuite, Deborah

From: Melissa Gray <melisgray22@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 8:06 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: RAIL WITH TRAIL

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Melissa Gray

Tuite, Deborah

From: Brian Phair <brphair@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:58 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Keep the rail!

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Brian Phair

Tuite, Deborah

From: Elizabeth Place <epgarcia@mac.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:48 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: sale of rail tracks

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth A. Place

Tuite, Deborah

From: John Carroll <johnnetfm@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:40 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

John Carroll

Tuite, Deborah

From: Rebecca Ducharme <rducharme529@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:39 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposition to the CSX rail purchase

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Please help keep this beautiful section of rails open for our rail biking!!

**Sincerely,
Rebecca Ducharme**

Tuite, Deborah

From: Alana Torres <alana.torres1@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:17 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CAX purchase without having a rail trail

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Alana Torres

Tuite, Deborah

From: Sarah Fleck <safleck@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 7:00 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail!

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Sarah Fleck

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kathryn Ouellette <rustycat128@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:59 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic railroad.

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking.

Sincerely,

Ms. Ouellette

P.S. I do not understand why you would take it away when it brings people from all over to your beautiful time, with beautiful views.

Tuite, Deborah

From: Daniel Miller <daniel.miller0221@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:55 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail With Trail

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

**Sincerely,
Daniel Miller**

Tuite, Deborah

From: Jill Hastings <j_hastings77@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:41 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: For your consideration

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Jill M. Hastings

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Tuite, Deborah

From: Matthew Cathcart <matthew.cathcart@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:39 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Good morning!

I am writing to voice my support for the purchase and eventual construction of an additional 5.7 miles of Merrimack River Greenway Trail on a tract of land by Horseshoe Pond. I firmly believe that providing the public with alternative ways to get around that encourage physical movement and green spaces within and around the city are both incredibly important. I would strongly urge a vote in favor of this project.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my point of view.

Cheers,

Matthew Cathcart
101 Broadway, Concord, NH 03301
matthew.cathcart@gmail.com

Tuite, Deborah

From: Nick Merryman <niiickmerryman@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:34 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: RAIL WITH TRAIL

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Nick Merryman
Tel: 978.968.9489

Head Coach
Malden Catholic JVB
Boston Americans U16

Tuite, Deborah

From: rr911@comcast.net
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 6:31 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: CTX rail line purchase

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To the city councilors considering the purchase of the CTX rail line on August 11, 2025, I would like to express my support for this city expenditure. I have been an avid biker for the past few years since having to give up running due to medical reasons. I have biked on numerous bike trails, including the Erie Canal Trail and the C&O Canal Trail, and have observed the economic value these recreational venues bring to the many small and large towns through which they pass. Hotels, restaurants, and stores all benefit from the dollars spent by bikers. Bikers like myself who live travel from afar to visit the areas they otherwise would not visit. Locals who walk, jog, bike, or snowmobile on a regular basis utilize these paths regularly. The addition of a recreation trail to a city adds to the overall outdoors culture and health of its citizens.

In New Hampshire, we are so lucky to have the Northern Rail Trail at our doorstep. I have biked the entirety from Boscawen to Lebanon, and it is one of the best trails I have been on. In the past, I biked the streets but have become concerned about the safety due to inattentive drivers after several close calls and have gravitated to the safety of the rail trail. It is 7 miles from my house to the rail trail start in Boscawen and requires me to drive there. I would look forward to being able to head 1 mile downtown to get on the trail. Ultimately, linking the trail with a southern terminus in Concord will reduce traffic on Fisherville Road.

Finally, the council recently approved money to build a new clubhouse at Beaver Meadow, which serves a narrow part of the city's population. The purchase of the CTX rail line will absolutely serve a broader swath of the city's population. I urge the council to approve this purchase.

Thank you,
Ronald Bessette
Concord, NH

Tuite, Deborah

From: barbara marino <barbara15825@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 5:23 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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I am a resident of Portsmouth and live adjacent to the Rail Trail here. This section of the Greenway has been a godsend to our community. People are on it walking, running, biking, cross country skiing, snow shoeing. Little kids learning to ride bikes, adults exercising, seniors getting outside on bikes or on foot. You name it. We need all the places like this that we can get for physical and mental health. I understand that folks want to keep the old trail wild but think that more people benefit from the Greenway. Please vote to buy the property for the MRGT. Thank you
Barbara Marino

Tuite, Deborah

From: Julianne LeBlanc <julianneleblanc27@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 1:16 AM
To: * City Clerk; Champlin, Byron
Subject: Oppose approval of CSX purchase without rail with trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Additionally, I'd like to just add that I have personally helped create the business that is Scenic Railriders since I was 16 years old. I have watched my father start a business at the age of 55 and essentially restart his career successfully.

I am 23 years old now, a registered ICU nurse, with a new found love for the Concord community because of this business. That being said, even I a 23 year old new adult can see the benefits of a Rail + Trail situation for the city of Concord. I urge you to show that you value small businesses and the benefits we add to the community we've grown to love.

Sincerely,

**Julianne LeBlanc,
A proud member of the scenic railriders family and supporter of small family businesses.**

Tuite, Deborah

From: Cassandra Schrow <cassandraschrow@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, August 8, 2025 12:44 AM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposition of approval of CSX purchase without having a rail with trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from rail biking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Cassandra Schrow

Tuite, Deborah

From: Amber Moreau <ambermoreau96@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 11:12 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of ccs purchase without having a rail with a trail

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Amber Drewek

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kara Denoncourt <kadenoncourt5@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 10:19 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Kara Denoncourt

Tuite, Deborah

From: Becky Cawley <cawleybecky@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 9:47 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: The opportunity to purchase 5.7 miles of rail line from Horsehoe Pond to the city's northern border?

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I say just do it!!

My husband and I are avid bike riders and we see lots of people in Concord and surrounding towns pedaling quiet roads as well as busy streets.

We do take advantage of the bike path from Silk Farm Road to Stickney Hill as well as the short bridge over the Merrimack from NHTI to East Concord and we wish there were more opportunities to ride along protected cycle routes. Concord claims to be a "bike friendly" city but there's a long way to go to make good on this claim.

I urge you to approve the purchase of the rail line described above. I believe it will benefit current bike enthusiasts as well as get more people to ride bikes. Having a longer bike path would probably bring economic benefits to the city as well in terms of increased tourism and related spending. As the old adage says, if you build (or in this case by) it, they will come.

Thanks for your consideration.

--

Becky Cawley
School Street
Concord, New Hampshire

Tuite, Deborah

From: valentejess@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 9:02 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail With Trail

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Sincerely,
Jessica Valente

[Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS](#)

Tuite, Deborah

From: Comcast <shawncorbitt@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 8:43 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail Trail

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Shawn Corbitt
413-896-1865

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Patrick Hyde <phyde02@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 8:38 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppqse to approval of CSX purchase wthout having a rail with trail!

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Patrick Hyde

Tuite, Deborah

From: pemigw1@comcast.net
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 8:37 PM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: Byron Champlin; 'Stacey Brown'
Subject: Please fund CSX corridor purchase

Importance: High

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Dear Mayor Champlin and Concord City Council Members:

I urge you to approve City funds to purchase the ~5.7 miles of abandoned rail from Horseshoe Pond to the Boscawen / Concord line. I recognize that the City has pursued making this valuable acquisition since the corridor was owned by PanAm, committing funds for a purchase that was delayed due to a change in ownership. I deeply appreciate the commitment of City staff and leadership to make this important action possible. Thank you!

As someone who has ridden rail trails in New Hampshire and along the East Coast and has helped to craft legislation for state funds to support rail trail development in NH, I have first-hand knowledge of the economic, health, environmental, and community benefits that rail trails provide. They are numerous and long-lasting, with rapid returns on investment due to their wildly growing popularity for recreation, exercise, tourism, and local transportation.

I understand that the private Scenic Rail Riders entity that uses a portion of this corridor has objections about converting to rail trail. I have heard of their suggestion to create a "rail-with-trail" option. My response, with respect and empathy, is that many, many more people will use and benefit from a public rail trail than a private concession, and that there is not room on the rail bed for both uses to operate. If there is currently a lease between the City and the Scenic Rail Riders, I suggest that it not be extended in any way that would delay the start of rail trail construction.

If possible, I will come to the August 11 Council meeting to present my position in public. However, I am currently planning to ride the full Northern Rail Trail from Lebanon to Boscawen, followed by the final 7 miles down Fisherville Rd. to Concord on this date. I look forward to riding the entire way completely on finished rail trail!

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me at this email if you have any questions.

Tuite, Deborah

From: Camille <cmpduffy@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 8:25 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: CSX purchase of railroad tracks

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Camille Duffy

Tuite, Deborah

From: Barbara Iverson <bliverson1@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 8:24 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Concord Rail Trail

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Sincerely,
Barbara and Paul Iverson
Warner, NH 03278
Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: kim simpkiss <kimsimpkiss@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 8:22 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Sincerely,
Kim Grinnell

Tuite, Deborah

From: K.A. McHugh <annetsirk@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 7:50 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail trail support

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To whom it may concern,

I've been a Concord resident for about 1 year and have been a frequent visitor for the past few years. Having cycled in most New England cities, across the state lines of ME, NH, VT and MA, and beyond, I also survived a severe bike crash/cervical spine injury in my 20's. I spent many years wishing that no-one else had to experience a crash like I did. While Concord's bike lane network is in development, and motorists give cyclists a respectable distance while passing, I know how one moment or "whoops" can change the trajectory of a life. I fully support creating more spaces for residents to recreate by bike/foot on a fully protected walking/biking path the length of Concord. This would provide a health/fitness opportunity, reduce risk, and allow for multi-age mobility/transit options to blossom. I urge the city council to approve the buying 5.7 miles of rail line from Horsehoe Pond to the city's northern border. A public benefit such as this path, provide residents a place to not only exercise, or get from point A to B, but also enjoy wildlife, find relaxation when so much of our day has to be spent "on".

Thank you for considering this for our community!

*Best,
K.A.McHugh*

Tuite, Deborah

From: KIE BYNUM <kiebynum1977@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 7:30 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Save the rail bike

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This is a wonderful and fun activity. My family had a great time. So please don't sell or some how save the rails for the future.

Thanks

Kie

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Mel Balk <mwbaclam@gsinet.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 7:22 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Rail Trail

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Sincerely,

Melvin Balk

Tuite, Deborah

From: Riley Wilson <rileywilson0715@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 7:17 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Concord Rail Trail

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Sincerely,
Riley Wilson

Tuite, Deborah

From: Charlene Burkett <charlene.burkett@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 6:58 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railway Appeal

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Dear Mayor- My husband and I visited your lovely town of Concord last week, specifically to experience the Scenic Railway. We live south of Chicago and had business in Maine. We spent an evening in the Centennial hotel, ate at their restaurant and then enjoyed a great lunch at The Barley House, which was suggested by the great people at the Scenic Railway. I am sure the other business owners mentioned also enjoy to railways existence. Please consider the following. Thank you for your time

Charlene Burkett
Kanakakee, IL

Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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Sincerely,
Charlene Burkett

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

Tuite, Deborah

From: Diane Dant <dianedant@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 6:51 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please save the scenic rail riders!

Please use the drafted email below and send to the following address:

cityclerk@concordnh.gov

Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

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Sincerely,

(Your Name)



Tuite, Deborah

From: Wakefield Twi League <wakefieldtwileague@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 6:50 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposition to CSX Purchase

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We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a Rail with Trail, so Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,

Wakefield Twi League

Tuite, Deborah

From: Chloe Codner <chloe.anne.codner@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 6:49 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Oppose to approval of CSX without Rail With Trail!

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Sincerely,

Chloe Codner

Tuite, Deborah

From: Evan R. Gard <Evan_Gard@unifirst.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 6:49 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposition to CSX Purchase

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Sincerely,

Evan Gard

Sales Manager

UniFirst Corporation
8 Industrial Park Drive
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781.484.6766
Evan_Gard@UniFirst.com

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Tuite, Deborah

From: Evan Gard <evanrgard16@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 6:48 PM
To: * City Clerk
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Sincerely,

Evan R Gard

Tuite, Deborah

From: Bruce Vreeland <bgymxer@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 6:35 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Railriders

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Sincerely,
(Your Name)
SCENIC
RAILRIDERS

Tuite, Deborah

From: D Perruccio <dmperruccio@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 6:19 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Purchase the section for the rail trail

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We've been waiting like 100 years for a concord rail trail. Make it happen already haha, but seriously young people want this in our community for our families and I thought concord would have made this a reality 10 years ago...

Tuite, Deborah

From: Tyler Donovan <iamtylerdonovan@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 5:54 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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To whom it may concern,

I really enjoyed scenic railriders & I think it's a wonderful small business that gives back to the community. Family owned businesses are the forefront of our country & everyone I've spoke to that's had the pleasure of riding along the track at scenic feels the same!

I hope you consider keeping the tracks as I believe it was a great addition to the area!

Best Regards,
Tyler

Tyler Donovan
Atherlace, LLC
M: iamtylerdonovan@gmail.com
T: (781)-910-0978

Tuite, Deborah

From: Carlie Grinnell <carliesimpkissw@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 5:54 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Scenic Railriders

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Sincerely,

Carlie Grinnell

Tuite, Deborah

From: Margaret Mitchell <mamitchell9@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 5:45 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Bike trail

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To the City Council,
I support purchasing land to complete the bike trail within the city of Concord.
Thanks,
Margaret Mitchell

Sent from my device

Tuite, Deborah

From: Amanda Osmer <amanda@grappone.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 4:19 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: In support of the rail trail in Concord

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To the Counselors of the City of Concord,

As a business owner in and native of Concord, I have long viewed the efforts of Friends of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail to be worthy of support. I have personally supported the continuation of the Northern Rail Trail through Concord for years, and I've also committed our company's charitable giving dollars to the cause. Why? In short, I feel that our community is a better one when we can get more people outside.

The ability for people of all fitness levels to use converted rail beds is one of the main reasons I feel the City of Concord should work to purchase and develop the 5.7-mile stretch between Horseshoe Pond and the City's northern border.

Concord, New Hampshire is a gem of a small city, with wonderful trails in all its corners. As a trail runner, I am grateful for the effort that has been put into developing and maintaining trails. As a person who watched her brother go from able bodied to wheelchair bound before he passed away from cancer at age 35, I am especially keen to have more handicap accessible trails added to Concord's impressive network. Allowing all of Concord's residents' access to our wonderful outdoor resources would be a lovely addition to the City.

Thank you for your time.

Amanda Grappone Osmer
Fourth Generation Steward, Grappone Automotive Group
cell; 603-305-1478

Tuite, Deborah

From: mdonnh@gmail.com
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 3:56 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Buying 5.7 miles of rail line from Horseshoe Pond to the city's northern border."

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The decision to purchase this property ultimately rests with the residents of Concord and the Concord City Council. That said, I'm pleased to share that the Friends of the Northern Rail Trail stands ready to connect. We've recently completed improvements, including a new deck installation on the north bridge and fresh surfacing at both the north and south entrances. The Northern Rail Trail is open from the Hannah Duston Memorial site to downtown Lebanon, NH.



Don Moyer
Vice President, Friends of the Northern Rail Trail
Email: mdonnh@gmail.com
Cell 617-320-8240

Tuite, Deborah

From: Crissie Ferrara <cmferrara@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 3:33 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack Greenway Trail for Concord!!

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Hello Concord City Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for the purchase of buying 5.7 miles of rail line from Horseshoe Pond to the city's northern border for the continuation of the MGRT. As you are all keenly aware, the MGRT has been working diligently and altruistically on this project decades in the making for the benefit of ALL Concord citizens. Why stop now?!

The MGRT is for everyone, not for company benefit, but to make Concord an attraction not only for tourists but more importantly to continue to improve the quality of life for ALL residents to enjoy all year long! The trail is accessible for everyone, where Scenic Railriders is unfortunately not accessible for people with varying abilities.

The long term benefit of continuing work with the MGRT is priceless for Concord residents and people thinking of moving here. I hope you take my point of view into serious consideration when deciding.

Thank you,
Crissie Ferrara- a Concord resident

Tuite, Deborah

From: Carolyn LeBlanc <carolyn@gleblanc.us>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 3:30 PM
To: chamby@comcast.net
Cc: * City Clerk
Subject: Opposing purchase and sale of CSX railway in Concord NH -Save Scenic RailRiders

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Dear Mayor Champlin and City Council,

My name is Carolyn LeBlanc and I own, along with my husband, Gary LeBlanc, Scenic RailRiders. We are located at 188 Sewall's Falls Road, Concord. We have been in business in Concord, since July 2019.

Some of you may not be aware of our small company and what we bring to Concord. We started with nothing and have become, over the last 6 years, a popular tourist attraction (google us @scenicrailriders.com) bringing over 62,000 people to your great city-with a projected 10,000 more by the end of our season. Those 70,000 people who ride our rails, eat at city restaurants, stay in local hotels and Airbnb's and spend money downtown and come back year after year to revisit our tour. We employ local people who have been very loyal to us and have come back to work with us, year after year even though we are seasonal. We have been blessed with amazing employees.

We built Scenic RailRiders with our literal bare hands. We, as a family, hand-cleared over 3miles of track. Completely overgrown after over 35 years of neglect. We built the railbikes by hand, in our home garage. We had a vision -our "Field of Dreams". This was our "If you build it, they will come" moment.

We felt we could make our dream come true and create a business for all abilities to use and enjoy. We have hosted families whose children will mostly likely never get to ride a traditional bike but with our railbikes they could have that experience. We've hosted groups from the hearing and vision impaired, riding the rails safely and with joy and wonder. We have hosted wedding parties, family reunions and even a wedding proposal. Older adults can ride the rails because it's not difficult to pedal the "bikes". We love our customers and they love us.

When we began with Scenic RailRiders, we were only the 11th business like this, in the nation. We were a curiosity-something many had never seen before or heard of. We have grown over the last 6 years and have been featured on NH Chronicle, New England Living, New Hampshire Life and Windows To The Wild. We been published in countless newspapers and magazines as well. Please watch them.

My plea to you all is to not destroy our family business. This is our only source of income. We will be devastated financially if you do not allow us to continue to keep our business in Concord. We are not the type of business that can just pull up and find another place to establish ourselves. They are not building railroads anymore. We have looked. There is nothing for us out there to move to.

Please do not destroy a viable source of income for your city for a bike path. How many people with this bike path employ? Who will come from all over the country and world to visit Concord for this bike path? Will your bike path visitors spend money at Concord businesses like Scenic RailRiders do? Please think of this for our sake.

Please be open to speak with Gary and I about working together so that perhaps both options could work for everyone. A bike path with our section of rails intact. We have proposed this multiple times but no one has been willing to talk to us. We are just asking for a chance here.

I thank you for your time and hopefully, interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Carolyn LeBlanc
Scenic RailRiders

Tuite, Deborah

From: Bob Rimol <rrimol@rimol.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 3:23 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for the Rail Trail
Attachments: Ped Count summary LRT @ Verani Way.pdf

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My name is Bob Rimol, and I am the president of Londonderry Trailways, a very successful non-profit group that has worked hard since 2013 to develop 4.5 miles of rail trail in our town. I strongly urge you to support the MRGT to continue their development of the Merrimack River Greenway Trail. Undo influence by opposing groups should not be tolerated. Our rail trail is the treasure of Londonderry and as you can see by the data collected recently, it is very utilized and popular. Thank you for your time.

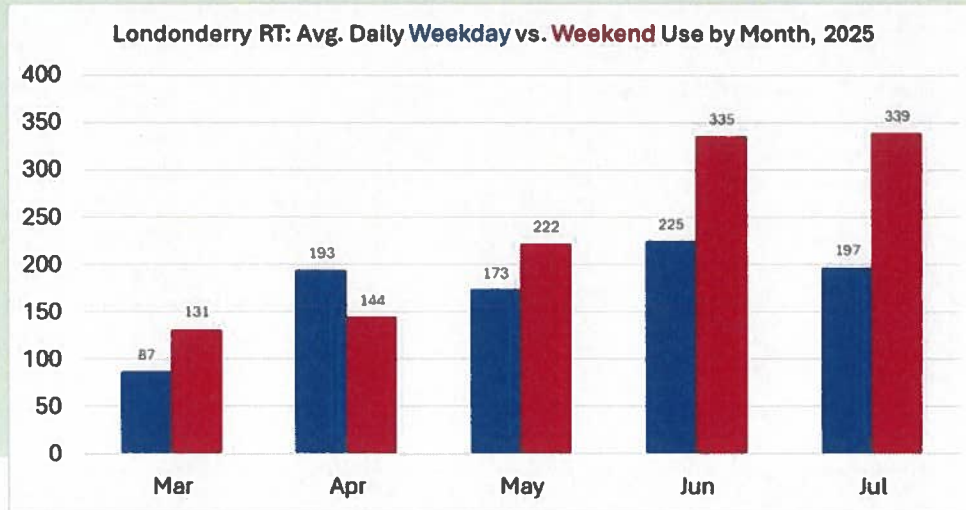
Regards,

Bob Rimol, President
Cell (603)494-5775



LONDONDERRY RAIL TRAIL AT VERANI WAY

MARCH-JULY 2025



SUMMARY

29,944

Total Traffic

196

Daily Average

596

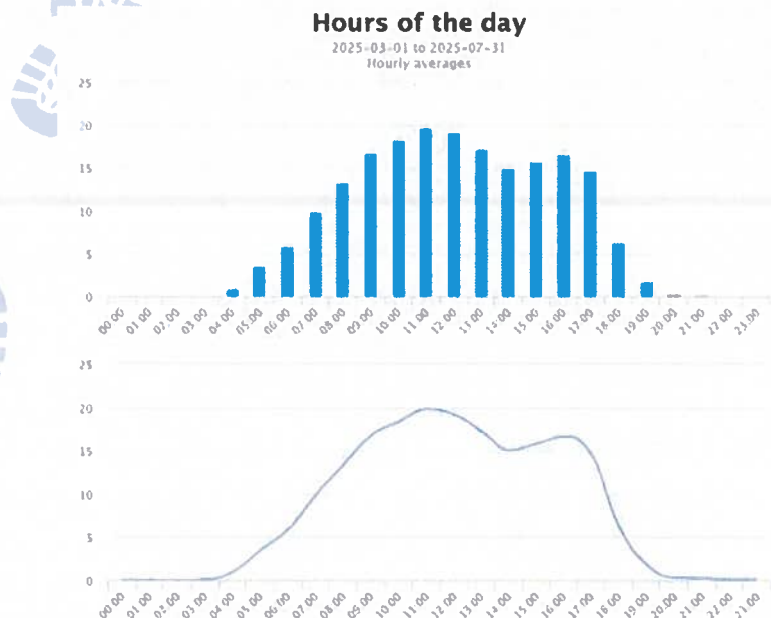
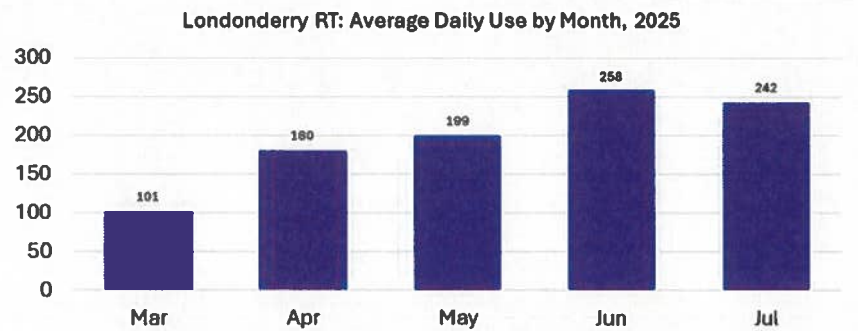
Busiest Day (Sun 6/8)

18.2 (4 pm)

Busiest Weekday Hour

26.4 (11 am)

Busiest Weekend Hour



SNHPC accepts requests for bike/ped counts year-round. If you'd like us to count in your community, please contact Senior Transportation Planner Adam Hlasny at 603-669-4664 or ahlasny@snhpc.org



Tuite, Deborah

From: Kevin OConnor <kpoconnor2@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 3:18 PM
To: * City Clerk
Cc: Dick Lemieux
Subject: City council vote buying 5.7 miles of rail line

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Good Afternoon,

On Monday, August 11, the Concord City Council will hold a public hearing, then decide whether to proceed with the purchase of 5.7 miles of rail line and appropriate the funds to buy the property that would become part of The Merrimack River Greenway trail.

We're writing to express our full support of this purchase and encourage city councilors to vote for it as well. It fits into supporting population health and wellness resources for Concord residents and has a great opportunity to have a positive impact for Concord businesses. Additionally it would create additional access for handicapped individuals to access nature trails.

I live on Otter Drive right off 2nd Street with this trail less than a quarter mile from our home. This is a tremendous opportunity not to be wasted to continue have a positive impact in out community. This purchase would help fulfill the vision of the rail trail creating a healthy community.

Additionally, it would enable, both residents who move into both developments being built on Fisherville Rd, as well as the residents of homes to be built on the lot between Sewalls Falls Rd. and Abbott, a tremendous recreational outlet with safer access to traverse back and forth to downtown version traveling Fisherville and North State Streets with busy traffic at times.

Please reach out with any questions.

Respectfully,

Kevin & Kristin O'Connor

6 Otter Drive

Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Tuite, Deborah

From: Kate Davison <kadavison@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 3:13 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Please vote yes to buy land for rail trail

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Hello,

I just wanted to write to show my support for Concord's purchase of the portion of rail line in order to extend the Merrimack River Greenway Trail. An uninterrupted rail trail would be an incredible asset to the city of Concord, its citizens and visitors. As a parent of a young child who has recently gotten very into riding his bike, I know that finding safe, vehicle-free places to bike, walk or run can be challenging. And while Concord does have some excellent trails, I also know that many parents with strollers and folks in wheelchairs would appreciate the chance to enjoy an accessible walk in the woods on a smooth surface.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kate Davison
Concord Resident

Tuite, Deborah

From: Ken <robisho@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 2:59 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail line purchase

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I am asking the city council to approve the purchase of the six miles of trail between Concord and Boscawen. The use these trails get warrants the purchase. If you have not experienced the rail trail please do so. What you will find is folks of all ages using a path that is safe, accessible and in many places historical. Call your counterpart in Lebanon to discuss the many benefits that come from having access in your city.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ken and Karen Robichaud

Sent from my iPhone

Tuite, Deborah

From: Millie LaFontaine <lafontainefamily@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 2:43 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Dear City Council Members:

Concord has the long-anticipated chance to provide a key link in the Merrimack River Greenway Trail project. This project has strong support among the people of Concord, and will enhance and expand both recreational opportunities and the natural beauty of our city. By carrying through with the purchase of this important acreage, the Greenway Trail will provide opportunities for visitors and citizens alike. Our river will be the focal point of our community it deserves to be.

Please listen to the people of Concord by approving financial support for the purchase of the land in question. Your support will pay for itself many times over.

Sincerely,

Millie LaFontaine
131 N. State St. #8
Concord NH 03301

Sent from my iPad

Tuite, Deborah

From: Arielle Dragonas <abtiner@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 2:40 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Rail biking support

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Dear Mayor Champlin and The Members of the Concord City Council,

I would like to oppose the approval to purchase the railroad tracks from CSX unless it can become a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. There should be no reason why this corridor cannot be a RAIL WITH TRAIL Corridor. The City of Concord would see more benefit from a RAIL WITH TRAIL here, as lease money from railbiking operation could help support maintenance of the corridor. There are also many other benefits of having a tourist attraction in town along with the jobs, recreation, and additional business it helps bring to the City.

We ask that you amend the purchase to keep this corridor a RAIL WITH TRAIL so that Concord can benefit from railbiking and walking/biking trails.

Sincerely,
Arielle Dragonas

Tuite, Deborah

From: Carlos Pearman <ca959709@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 7, 2025 2:26 PM
To: * City Clerk
Subject: Support for purchase of land from CSX for Merrimack River Greenway Trail

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Hello,

My name is Carlos Pearman and I live at 4 Montgomery St. Concord NH. I am emailing in support of the city's plan to purchase the abandoned railroad right-of-way from CSX corporation.

It's in the city's best interest to purchase this piece of property for a ***dedicated, multiuse trail***. The capital of New Hampshire should be connected by rail trail to an already existing 59-plus mile trail that stretches from Boscawen to Lebanon. Future efforts (Granite State Rail Trail) will see that trail connected to a trail that extends from Manchester south to the Massachusetts border.

Attempts to dilute the trail by keeping the rails will make the trail less accessible for city residents, especially those who use wheelchairs and have mobility issues. Trails with rails still intact often require riders and walkers to cross multiple times over rails, leading to possible safety issues.

It is my hope that the city will complete the purchase of the existing right of way and add to the quality of life for Concord residents.

Thank you for your time,

Carlos Pearman
4 Montgomery St
Concord, NH 03301