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Open Space & Trails Commission

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To: Steven L. Medlin, AICP, Durham City-County Planning Director
From: The Durham Open Space and Trails Commission
Through: Helen Youngblood, Senior Planner, CZO, AICP, staff liaison to Durham Open Space and Trails Commission
Regarding: DOST 2014 Budget Request

The Durham Open Space and Trails (DOST) Commission strives to foster the wise use of Durham's natural resources while involving and educating all segments of the Durham Community. In order to achieve this goal, this Commission seeks to produce trails and greenways maps and brochures; annually highlighting current environmental and recreational issues; and meets face to face with the public at Earth Day, the Eno River Festival and Center Fest.

These activities are consistent with one of the duties of the DOST Commission stated in the Inter-local Cooperative Agreement for Open Space and Trails Planning, "To educate the citizens of Durham County about the City and County's programs."

The DOST Commission appreciates and acknowledges the past funds that the City and County contributed to our budget. This money paid for the printing of new trail maps, along with a variety of other maps used throughout the Community and booth rental fees. The Commission, is requesting $ 3,000.00 for printing of additional trails maps (these are especially popular with the public), and for pursuit of more educational activities.

The DOST Commission would greatly appreciate an allocation of $ 3,000.00 so that we can meet our educational objectives for FY 2014-2015.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

LaDawnna Summers, Chair, the Durham Open Space and Trails Commission