

MEMORANDUM

TO: Town Council

FROM: Bill Bruce

DATE: May 28, 2021

RE: Construction Proposal for Pepper Rd./ Haw River Rd. Sidepath and Headwaters Trailhead Parking Lot (Linville Rd.)

On May 19 the Town received three bids for the project referenced above. Please find attached a summary of the bids received, as well as a recommendation from the project engineer/ construction administrator. Yates Construction submitted the low bid of \$298,016.28.

The Pepper Rd./ Haw River Rd. sidepath will provide a pedestrian connection between the trail system in the Cascades Open Space Preserve and the newly constructed Headwaters Trail. Once constructed, this link will complete a 3+-mile section of Mountains-to-Sea Trail.

The sidepath has been designed as a six-foot-wide engineered gravel footpath with paver edging. The gravel surface was chosen over a concrete sidewalk to reflect the rural nature of the adjacent roadway, and to remain in keeping with the overall aesthetic of the Mountains-to-Sea Trail. A 10-space gravel trailhead parking area on Linville Rd., to provide convenient access to the Headwaters Trail, is also a component of this proposal. The Town will allocate \$25,000 of federal Recreational Trails Program grant funding to the project.

Requested Action: Approve the proposal from Yates Construction to construct the Pepper Rd./ Haw River Rd. Sidepath and Headwaters Trailhead Parking Lot.

