

February 6, 2019

Mr. & Mrs. Property Owner  
1234 Garden Lane  
Colonie, NY 12205

Dear Property Owners:

The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation has made funding available through the Recreational Trails Program (RTP), a Federal grant program, to develop and maintain recreation trails across the State. The Town of Colonie has proposed a Mohawk River Trail and would like to purchase a portion of your property for the trail. To this end, the town would like to negotiate with you to obtain these necessary property rights required to construct this trail. Since the RTP enabling legislation strictly prohibits the use of eminent domain proceedings to obtain property rights, there will be no condemnation action taken to acquire your property should the negotiations to purchase fail. As part of this negotiation process, you are entitled to a written purchase offer based upon an approved appraisal or waiver valuation.

Please contact the undersigned to discuss this matter at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

U. N. Owen  
Trail Coordinator  
Town of Colonie  
518-123-4567