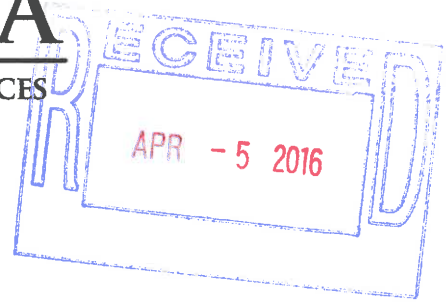




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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
MARK WILLIAMS, COMMISSIONER



April 4, 2016

Bob Schwartz  
City Manager, City of Oxford  
110 West Clark St.  
Oxford, Georgia 30054

Re: Georgia Recreational Trails Program, City of Oxford Application

Dear Mr. Schwartz:

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources regrets to inform you that your request for a Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant was not approved for funding. During the 2015 fall grant cycle, the Department of Natural Resources received 57 applications from eligible entities, requesting \$5.2 million in trail project funding. Unfortunately, Georgia's annual federal apportionment of \$1.7 million for the 2015 RTP grant cycle did not afford us the opportunity to fund all of proposed projects applied for.

All grant requests were reviewed and ranked according to the trail program criteria cited in the 2015 RTP grant application. Competition for these limited funds was extremely tight, and we regret that we were unable to assist you with your recreational trail needs at this time. Future funding opportunities for trails projects will be available during our 2016 fall grant cycle. Additionally, Grants Unit staff will continue to provide grant workshop training during the month of August 2016. Please check for updates on the RTP website ([gastateparks.org/grants/rtp](http://gastateparks.org/grants/rtp)) for upcoming events.

If you have specific questions concerning your 2015 application submittal, please email Loren Moore at [loren.moore@dnr.ga.us](mailto:loren.moore@dnr.ga.us) and schedule an appointment to discuss your application. Appointments to discuss 2015 applications will be available from Monday, April 11 to Friday, May 6, 2016.

Thank you for your interest in the Recreational Trails Program and providing quality recreational trail opportunities for the citizens of Georgia. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Terry West  
Director, Administrative Services