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Date: October 25, 2024  
To: Rye Select Board  
From: Jason Rucker  
Re: Rails to Trails Completion Project 26485

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "JR", located to the right of the recipient information.

This memo is intended to inform the Select Board of the status of the Rails to Trails project that passes through a section of Rye.

The construction of the rail to trail project has been completed. The trails are open and being enjoyed by the public.

Maintenance of the trail will now be the responsibility of the communities along the trail corridor. Greenway volunteers will perform most of the required maintenance such as mowing, trail maintenance, spring a fall cleanup, signage installation and litter control. Additional funding for such maintenance will be generated through 'adopt a mile marker' or mile marker sponsorship program. Municipalities will provide the bulk of the equipment specific maintenance such as culvert cleaning and clearing, tree removal etc. Enforcement of the rules, regulations and laws will be the responsibility of the municipality.

I have included some examples of rules and signage, maintenance schedule, to review.

Additionally, an ADA Trail Accessibility Policy created by Portsmouth to address OPDMD (other power driven mobility devices) to address electric vehicles and ADA accessibility has been submitted to Town counsel for review and ultimate approval by the Select Board.

An amendment to the Rail Trail Agreement is also included which addresses mile marker sponsorship.