REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: November 18, 2020

SUBJECT: Henderson County Rails to Trails Update

PRESENTER: John Mitchell, Business and Community Development Director

Autumn Radcliffe, Planning Director

ATTACHMENTS: No

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

At the request of the Board of Commissioners, staff are working with Conserving Carolina to secure the rail corridor that exists between Hendersonville and Brevard. In the fall of 2019, Conserving Carolina was awarded a federal grant to purchase the property for rail-to-trail use.

In February of this year, the Board directed staff to pursue funding for the preliminary engineering and construction of the rail-trail. On August 27, the French Broad River MPO Board awarded the County funding for three of the five phases. Staff will update the Board of Commissioners about the status of the grants and long-term plans for construction.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to hear the presentation, and direct Staff accordingly.

Suggested Motion:

No motion suggested.