

August 28, 2010

Illinois Department of Transportation
Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program
Room 307
2300 South Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, Illinois 62764

Re: Great Western Trail Lighting Project - Village of Lombard

Dear Sir:

This letter is written to express the Friends of the Great Western Trails' support for the above referenced application submitted by the Village of Lombard. The Great Western Trail is an 11.5 mile path traveling through central DuPage County which is enjoyed by tens of thousands annually. The County is the owner of the Great Western Trail but relies on partnerships with neighboring municipalities, park districts and volunteer groups such as ours to provide enhancements and amenities along the system.

Several communities have already installed lighting to improve accessibility and safety. This application to add lighting throughout the Village of Lombard would be a tremendous asset to the community, the County and trail users.

We fully support the Village of Lombard's application.

Thank you for your consideration of their request.

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