

Raleigh County Parks & Recreation Authority  
Clear Fork Rail Trail Phase II  
Public Meeting  
November 1, 2022 at 11:00 AM  
Located at the Raleigh County Commission Chambers  
at 116 ½ N. Heber St., Beckley, WV 25801  
and by Zoom Video Conference Call with pre-registration required at  
regiononepdc.org/firm

### Meeting Mins

- I. Introductions- Dave Tolliver, Linda Kay Epling, Ron Hedrick, Bill Roop, Molly Williams, Eric Combs, George Carrico, Sam Wilkes, Roger Kennedy, Mark Buchannon, Alice Haga
- II. Project Synopsis
  - a. Status of Phase I- **Eric** states that phase 1 is in request for authorization to take bid, AML sent all documentation for bid dates. This will cover 4.87 miles or trail.
  - b. Site Remediation-**Sam** with Thrasher, says the capping trail as a volunteer program, with site assessment of combustion by-chemical by-product, polynuclear. Mediation to cap the trail with the volunteer remediation program with WVDEP, 4 and half miles in near future for capping. The remainder of trail due to contamination for Benzo a pyrene, the main constituent of concern. The majority of the remainder of the trail needs to be capped with 1 foot of material, that is why they are seeking additional funds through the Brownfield Grant process.
  - c. Phase II Improvements- **Eric** says phase 2 consist of building additional 7 miles of trails, capped for non-motorized recreational use, additional 185 ft. trail bridge, renovation of 245 ft. trail trestle and demolition of trestle, and trail access signage.
  - d. Purpose- seeing 2000 visitors a year, and will help connect Raleigh County to the trail system.
- III. Proposed Phase II Funding-\$1 million clean up grant, \$1,421,356 ARC grant, and 5 million handlers grant, total of \$7,421,356. Seven miles of trail for phase 2, the Brownfield Clean Up Grant will cover the capping and environmental policies.
- IV. Anticipated Project Timeline- Depends on funding sources, but in general 4-5 year.

- V. Questions and Comments- **George Carrico** from Marshall-Brownfield Center, says the clean-up application has a no cost share, which may change, so right now is the best time to go after this kind of funding. And the communities that will be involved in this phase would be from Amigo to Clear Fork Crossing.
- VI. Closed- Dave Tolliver