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Regarding: Notice of Funding Opportunity: 2021 Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program

Dear Potential Grant Applicants,

On behalf of the Department of Natural Resources, Division of State Parks, I am pleased to announce a notice of funding opportunity for the Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program (ORLP). This grant program is funded through the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service. ORLP was created in 2014 as a complement to the Land and Water Conservation Fund grant program, and seeks to support the creation or significant renovation of state or locally-owned parks and other outdoor recreation spaces in urban areas.

For 2021, a total of \$150 million nationwide are available for outdoor recreation projects (a combination of grant funds appropriated by Congress in FY20 and FY21). Eligible applicants include other state agencies and local governments such as cities, counties, and special purpose districts, such as park districts, within urbanized areas as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau and with populations of 50,000 or more residents. The Census Bureau has published maps delineating each urbanized area, which can be found at: <https://www.census.gov/geographies/reference-maps/2010/geo/2010-census-urban-areas.html>.

The project request amount is a maximum of \$5 million and a minimum of \$300,000. The deadline to submit a project proposal is **August 10, 2021**. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources has been designated the lead agency in Missouri. We are currently accepting pre-application project proposals. If your project is selected, the Grants Management Section of Missouri State Parks will work with you to submit an application on your behalf to the National Park Service. To submit a pre-application project proposal please review the notice of funding opportunity and submit the application information required through the Department's online [Funding Opportunities Portal](#). Everything in the notice of funding opportunity needs to be completed, except the SF424 and the letter of recommendation from the State Liaison Officer (if selected we will provide this documentation). Applications will be scored using the criteria outlined in the notice of funding opportunity. Missouri's Statewide Comprehensive Recreation Plan referenced in the email is available at: [https://mostateparks.com/sites/mostateparks/files/2018-2022%20Show%20Me%20the%20Great%20Outdoors\\_SCORP\\_Final.pdf](https://mostateparks.com/sites/mostateparks/files/2018-2022%20Show%20Me%20the%20Great%20Outdoors_SCORP_Final.pdf).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at [mispgrants@dnr.mo.gov](mailto:mispgrants@dnr.mo.gov).

Thank you!

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