

Trail Funding Program – Minor Maintenance Stream

Background

The Minor Maintenance Stream was designed to support maintenance projects along the Trans Canada Trail to ensure the long-term sustainability and integrity of the network, as well as improve the safety and comfort of users. Further, this stream will support Trail groups as they increase and maintain the engagement of trail volunteers.

Eligibility

- All applications must meet the general eligibility requirements outlined in Section 2 of the document: [Trail Funding Program, Program Framework](#).
- Applicants must confirm that all applicable codes, bylaws and regulations pertinent to the project and region will be met
- Applicants must provide valid proof of liability insurance, as it pertains to the section of the Trail where the project is taking place
- Applicants must fill out the eligibility questionnaire at the beginning of the application form, and provide any additional information required
- Projects must not require special permits, studies, assessments, consultations, or infrastructure work
- Studies and construction projects involving infrastructure components should be applied for in the Infrastructure and Major Repairs stream
- Projects must be shovel-ready (i.e., no pending permissions or approvals, all contract quotes received, no pending matching funds) and be able to be completed within the fiscal year of application

Financial Support

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Trans Canada Trail will provide financial support to successful applicants for their minor maintenance projects through this stream, based on work to be completed and eligible expenses.

Example of Eligible Projects

Repair of damage to the Trail caused by:

- Natural disasters or weather events – steps required to quickly reopen a Trail section
- Increased usage
- Animal activity

General maintenance of the Trail including:

- Trail surface work
- Minor structural repairs not involving infrastructure components
- Erosion and drainage repairs not involving infrastructure components
- Brush cutting
- Invasive species management
- Projects in aid of achieving four-season connectivity of the Trail
- Drainage improvements that do not involve infrastructure components
- Safety improvements that do not involve infrastructure components

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