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TO: Friends of the Ecusta Trail

FROM: North Carolina Rail-Trails

RE: Endorsement of Ecusta Trail

Dear Friends of the Ecusta Trail,

The Board of Directors of North Carolina Rail-Trails enthusiastically supports protecting the inactive Hendersonville to Pisgah Forest railroad corridor for a multi-use rail-trail. The proposed Ecusta Trail on this historic corridor will connect the vibrant communities in its path with healthy lifestyle and active transportation options for residents, and it will enhance economic development and tourism opportunities for the entire region.

Sincerely,

North Carolina Rail-Trails Board of Directors

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