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County Receives Grant to Extend Riveredge Trail

Amherst County received a grant from the Virginia Department of Conservation & Recreation (DCR). The county was awarded \$264,000.00 that will be used to extend the Riveredge Trail. The funds will be used to execute the first part of the Riveredge Trail Extension Project. The extension will add five hundred feet of trail to be built which will include a sixty-foot bridge.

The Board of Supervisors approved the project and voted to apply for the grant in July 2019. The grant is part of the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation's Recreational Trails Program and is funded through the Federal Highway Administration. The County hopes to break ground on the trail extension sometime in the Spring of 2021.



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