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August 23, 2005

Re:Executive Office of Environmental Affairs  
Office of Public Private Partnerships (OPPP) FY '06  
Matching Funds Initiative

Dear Prospective Partner;

I am pleased to announce the availability of FY '06 funds from the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs Office of Public Private Partnerships to match non-state funds for EOEA parks, open spaces and facilities. As the public agency which holds these assets in trust, it is our mission to protect these unique resources for future generations. This is an overwhelming responsibility and we cannot do it alone. Through the Office of Public Private Partnerships, we are creating a vision for the protection of this legacy which is built on a commitment to stewardship which includes both government and private sector involvement and investment.

We are building a culture of responsibility which requires new forms of leadership and new strategies for finding the resources to restore what has deteriorated and to maintain what is restored. We have made, and will continue to make, a commitment to building the public trust by protecting the public realm. We will continue to define the Commonwealth's competitive advantage in terms of our environment; to manage our resources to maximize public benefit and to create a Commonwealth of community stewards.

The Commonwealth's parks and open space system has extraordinary assets: 10% of the land mass of the Commonwealth, including more than 2,000 miles of trails, 600,000 acres of land, 28 watersheds, 3 rivers, 270 bridges, 1,450 miles of historic roads and parkways, 12 piers, 1,400 buildings, 2 ski areas, 3 music sheds, swimming pools and skating rinks, 2 golf courses, 42 fresh water beaches, 25 coastal beaches, 60 playgrounds, 30 campgrounds and more.

Our parks and open spaces: our natural, cultural, historic and recreational resources exist to serve the people in the communities which surround them as well as those who visit and vacation here. As we engage people in the planning, management and decision making in and for these assets, we seek also to engage them in new models of stewardship to enhance, restore and maintain them as well. We are building working partnerships which encourage and enable capital restoration in our shared assets.

Building on the success of the OPPP "Fix-it-First Friends" FY '05 Initiative which provided the catalyst for the funding for private capital investment in Department of Conservation and Recreation resources, the FY '06 program will provide \$1.5 million in matching funds to Friends groups, philanthropic individuals, corporations and institutional partners interested in partnering in capital re-investment in the Commonwealth's open space system resources.

Enclosed is the Funding Partner Reply Form for your use. For additional information, please go to [www.mass.gov/envir](http://www.mass.gov/envir) for a listing of the FY '05 OPPP funded partnerships and the announcement of three regional meetings to help you apply for FY '06 matching funds. I encourage you to contact Betsy Shure Gross, Executive Director EOEA OPPP at (617) 626-1117 or [betsy.shuregross@state.ma.us](mailto:betsy.shuregross@state.ma.us) for further information.

I look forward to working with you to improve and sustain our open space system.

Sincerely,



Stephen R. Pritchard  
Secretary

# Funding Partner REPLY FORM

**Due: October 15, 2005**

Executive Office of Environmental Affairs  
Office of Public Private Partnerships (OPPP)  
FY '06 Capital "Fix-It-First Friends" Program  
100 Cambridge Street, Boston, MA 02114

Return to: Ethel Woodard ([Ethel.Woodard@state.ma.us](mailto:Ethel.Woodard@state.ma.us)) or Fax (617) 626-1027

Name of Private Partner \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT)

Name of Park or Facility \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT)

Address of Private Partner  
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Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Brief description of applicant's organization or mission statement (PLEASE PRINT):**  
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**Brief description of proposed capital project. If more than one, please list in order of priority. (PLEASE PRINT)**  
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Budget estimate of project, if available: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of proposed partners and their anticipated role in the project if more than one funding source. (PLEASE PRINT)

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Partners must identify their available funds by December 31, 2005 and deposit their funds into an appropriate Executive Office of Environmental Affairs agency trust account by February 1, 2006.

History of projects funded by OPPP '05 matching funds. (PLEASE PRINT)

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To facilitate responses, EOEA OPPP will host three regional meetings to meet with prospective partners, answer any questions about funding and necessity for deposit of non-state funds in Trust accounts, and other partnership opportunities and responsibilities.

**Regional Meeting Schedule:**

- Meeting #1    September 20, 2005    100 Cambridge Street, Boston, MA – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- Meeting #2    September 27, 2005    Lawrence Heritage Park – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- Meeting #3    September 29, 2005    Fall River Heritage Park – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

For further information [www.mass.gov/envir](http://www.mass.gov/envir).

**Executive Office of Environmental Affairs Office of Public Private Partnerships  
 Department of Conservation and Recreation Projects  
 which received FY '05 Matching Funds**

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>IN PARTNERSHIP WITH</b>	<b>FUNDING AMOUNT</b>
Resource Management Plan – Chestnut Hill Reservation	Boston College and Chestnut Hill Waterworks, LLD	\$50,000
Restoration of Interpretive Signs at Waquiot Bay	Citizens for the Protection of Waquiot Bay Falmouth, MA	\$2,000
Modular Boardwalk sections for accessibility Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR State Forest) and Mohawk Trail State Park	Consolidated Edison Energy MA	\$10,000
Pavilion construction at Shawme Crowell State Forest	Friends of Shawme Crowell State Forest, Sandwich, MA	\$9,000
Creation of the Carleton Court Dog Park	Friends of the Carleton Court Dog Park Southwest Corridor, Back Bay	\$6,800
Replacement of Leaf Blower/Buggy	Rails to Trails Conservancy, Cape Cod Rail Trail	\$1,816
Replacement of Mission Hill Playground	Southwest Corridor, Roxbury	\$75,000
Re-roofing of Visitor Center	The Conservation Trust for Wompatuck State Park, Hingham, MA	\$25,000
Expand ADA ramp and Refurbish Nature Center	The Daughters of Revolution (for DAR State Forest), Goshen, MA	\$1,600
Replacement of the River Dock on the Charles River Esplanade	The Esplanade Association	\$250,000
Repair of Theatre Ceiling at Fall River Heritage State Park	The Friends of Fall River Heritage State Park	\$15,000
Restore Interpretive Exhibit including sound	The Friends of Lawrence Heritage State Park, Lawrence, MA	\$1,250
Rehabilitation of the Tudor Barn at Middlesex Fells Reservation	The Friends of Middlesex Fells	\$15,000
Replacement of Flagpoles at Park entrance	The Friends of Mohawk Trail State Park, Savoy, MA	\$6,780
New Patio and Water Station, Re-shingle Contact Station	The Friends of Nickerson State Park, Brewster, MA	\$6,000
Restore Spray Shed	The Garden Committee, Maudsley State Park	\$7,500
Boston Harbor Island's Signage	The Island Alliance	\$50,000
Boston Harbor Islands Water Transportation	The Island Alliance	\$70,000
Restoration of The Quincy Homestead	The National Society of Colonial Dames	\$70,000

