

SAMPLE LETTER--PLEASE ADAPT AS NEEDED

[ORGANIZATION NAME & ADDRESS OR LETTERHEAD]

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Dear Mr. Rainwater

[ORGANIZATION NAME] supports completing the Katy Trail by creating a seamless trail connection from St. Louis to Kansas City and by making the Katy Trail the centerpiece of a complete, seamless regional trail network that allows bicyclists and pedestrians to safely connect with all cities and towns along the trail.

[ORGANIZATION NAME] supports the concept of a Quad-State Trail System, planned to connect the Katy Trail with Springfield, Kansas City, Lawrence, Topeka, St. Joseph, Omaha, Council Bluffs, and Lincoln, and other cities within the four-state region.

The complete Katy Trail and the Quad-State Trail System will provide tremendous tourism, economic development, and public health benefits to communities and to the public.

The connection between the present Katy Trail and the Kansas City metropolitan area is the key link required to make the Quad-State Trail System come together.

Because the recent destruction caused by the failure of the Taum Sauk dam, owned by AmerenUE, affected the state park system that is owned and operated for the benefit of all Missourians, [ORGANIZATION NAME] believes that it is appropriate for the settlement for the Taum Sauk damages to include an element that will benefit all Missourians across the state.

Trail use of the section of the Ameren-owned Rock Island Railroad from Windsor to Pleasant Hill would lead to the completion of the Katy Trail, allowing trail users to travel from St. Louis to Kansas City and many points in between. This expansion of the Katy Trail will benefit citizens in Missouri's two main population centers and communities in between.

[ORGANIZATION NAME] believes that a settlement with Ameren can be reached that will benefit both Ameren and the citizens of Missouri. We believe that a settlement can be reached that will protect Ameren's business interests in the corridor while still allowing public trail use of the corridor.

[ORGANIZATION NAME] urges the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, AmerenUE, Union Pacific, the Missouri Attorney General, and other interested parties to include the Katy Trail connection to Kansas City via the Rock Island railroad corridor as part of the settlement for damages in the Taum Sauk disaster. We call on all parties move with all due haste in moving to complete the Katy Trail network from state line to state line.

Sincerely yours,

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