



Rock River Trail Initiative
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VIA EMAIL ATTACHMENT

Dwight Kruse and Jeff Adams of Beloit 2020
Copy: Mayor Ted Rehl, South Beloit, Ill.

Re: Support of Nature at the Confluence Interpretive Center

Gentlemen:

At a recent meeting of the Rock River Trail Initiative Council held in Loves Park, Ill., Therese Oldenburg and David Schreiber presented information and design drawings on the proposed Nature at the Confluence Interpretive Center planned for the reclaimed open space at the confluence of Turtle Creek and the Rock River in South Beloit.

Council members were excited to learn about the interpretive center designed to celebrate the natural, historic and cultural significance of the site. We have posted project information and design drawings on our website to heighten public awareness of this important restorative effort.

During discussion several comments were offered about the importance of ensuring that tree planting and re-vegetation efforts are appropriate in terms of native species, with emphasis given to hardwoods. This will assist our efforts to distribute free hardwood trees each year to the eleven counties of the Rock River corridor for planting within the river view shed.

A motion of support for the Nature at the Confluence project was unanimously and enthusiastically adopted by the Council.

If we can assist your efforts in any way, please let us know. We look forward to working with the wonderful people of Beloit and South Beloit to do good things for the Rock River and our river communities.

Sincerely,

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