



FPR Grant Programs

PRIVATE LANDOWNER PERMISSION FORM

This form must be submitted to the VT Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation.

For the purpose of receiving Grant Funding from the VT Dept. of Forests, Parks and Recreation, all projects funded on private property must have prior written approval by the landowner when applying for funds. This form must accompany the grant application for all applications on private lands where a term or permanent easement is not in place.

_____ (Name of Sponsor Organization) is applying for public grant funding to build or improve recreational assets on the parcel owned by _____ (Name of Landowner(s)) as depicted in the attached map and named below.

As the landowner, I will allow the public to access my property for the useful life of the public investment. Description of useful life of various public investments:

- **5 years** for general maintenance activities such as removing fallen trees from the trail corridor, cleaning out and improving drainages, clipping vegetation to create a passable corridor, and adding kiosks, signage or other minor assets; for minor trail drainage and treadway improvements such as adding waterbars, small (3-5 stone) stone staircases or short sections of step stones or puncheon; and for re-routes less than 50 feet.
- **10 years** for new trail construction; construction of major trail infrastructure like parking lots or boardwalks; large-scale trail reconstruction and treadway improvement such as significant stone or lumber staircases and long stretches of turnpike or step stones; and for reroutes longer than 50 feet.

NOTE: Permanent facilities or structures (engineered bridges, pavilions, bathrooms, etc.) will need a permanent easement or a term easement of at least 25 years.

The following list of assets are included in this agreement:

(list all recreational assets that are receiving public grant investments)

1.	_____	(Name and location of asset 1)
2.	_____	(Name and location of asset 2)
3.	_____	(Name and location of asset 3)
4.	_____	(Name and location of asset 4)
5.	_____	(Name and location of asset 5)

Assurances:

The Sponsor Organization and the Landowner shall assure that the recreational assets named above (and any other recreational assets on this property not receiving grant funding) remain open and available for public use consistent with the recreational purpose for the useful life of the investment, which is a minimum of ____ year(s) for this project. The agreement shall have a start date of _____ and an end date of _____, for a minimum of ____ years after the end date of the grant (the agreement will default to the longest time period needed for the largest investment).

The Landowner agrees to allow the Sponsor Organization, its agents or assigns, to access their property to ensure the successful construction and ongoing maintenance of the assets receiving public investment. This permission does not allow the Sponsor Organization to re-route, move or install additional recreation assets without further landowner consultation and permission.

The Landowner(s) grants permission to the Sponsor Organization to undertake the project planning, design, engineering, permitting, construction and ongoing maintenance and stewardship activities.

The Landowner(s) agrees to notify the Sponsor Organization of any land transfer 30-days ahead of the transfer.

Sponsor Organization: _____

Project name: _____

Grant Source: _____

Project Administrator Name: _____ Date: ____/____/____

List the landowner(s) of the private property where the project named above will be taking place.

If project is on multiple parcels of private land, use a new landowner permission form for every landowner/parcel. If more than one person owns the property, all landowner names and signatures must be included.

Sponsoring organization has informed the landowner(s) of the work plan for above named project. Consent is hereby given from landowner(s) for work to take place on private property:

Print Private Landowner(s) Name(s):

Signature(s) of Private Landowner(s): _____

Date: ___/___/___

Print Private Landowner(s) Name(s):

Signature of Private Landowner: _____

Date: ___/___/___

(Not valid unless signed and dated)

Best method of contact for landowner (ex: phone number w/ area code/ mailing address/ email address):
