

Scantic River Watershed Association Awarded 2010 National Parks Recreational Trails Program Grant.

The DEP has announced the Scantic River Watershed Association (SRWA) is one of the recipients for a 2010 National Parks Recreational Trail Program (RTP) grant. The Recreational Trails Advisory Committee reviewed 57 proposals requesting over 5 million dollars of funding with just \$1,148,814.00 to distribute. The SRWA's request for \$5,000 is going towards extending the development of the Scantic River Greenway's multi-use trail system.

The SRWA is completing the first section of the Greenway trail system at the Scantic Recreation Park in Scitico. The trail loops along the river up to the historic Somersville Mill Pond. Enfield Eagle Scout Nick Caruso from Troop 108 provided a display kiosk, trailhead signs and benches along the trail. The SRWA is currently developing a trail system at the 464 Hazard Avenue on more of the Scantic State Park land. The popularity of the Greenway trail systems is growing exponentially. The SRWA hosts up to 100 people at trail hikes. The SRWA encourages volunteers to help with the Greenway trail systems. You may visit the SRWA website at <http://scanticriverwatershed.org>