



Wildlands Conservancy

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Mr. Scott Stortz
Valley Mountain Bikers
24 E. Broad Street
Bethlehem, PA 18018

Dear Scott,

Thanks so much to you and the volunteers of the Valley Mountain Bikers for their tireless work and dedication over the past decade in designing and building 10 plus miles of trails on Walking Purchase Park, and the 2.3 miles of trail that was built in the Trexler Nature Preserve, with another 1.7 miles under construction. This new trail system promises to be a major attraction to mountain bikers and hikers in the eastern United States.

I also cannot thank you enough for the outstanding job Valley Mountain Bikers did clearing the Walking Purchase Park trails from the destruction which occurred from the August hurricane and October snowstorm of 2011. This could not have been accomplished without your involvement.

Our protected open space and your work on Walking Purchase Park and the Trexler Nature Preserve enables the community to experience these wonderful natural habitats in a safe and pleasurable way. Your volunteer efforts are adding to our quality of place in our community, and are significantly important to ensuring the safe and wise use of the Park and Preserve.

We appreciate your support in your continuing volunteer efforts to ensure that the Walking Purchase Park and the Trexler Nature Preserve continues to be a wonderful place for nature, and for walkers, hikers and bikers to enjoy.

We look forward to continuing to work with you in our conservation efforts for many years to come.

Thanks again for all you do.

Yours in conservation,

Christopher M. Kocher
President

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