

**BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM**

MEETING DATE:   1/5/10  \_\_\_\_\_

**Action Requested:**

The Buncombe County Parks, Greenways, and Recreation Services Department has been awarded a grant from the French Broad River - Metropolitan Planning Organization for FY 2010 with Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) funds. The funds will be used to conduct a feasibility study and a conceptual greenway plan within the Highway 251/N French Broad River Corridor. **This is a sub grant to Buncombe County in the amount of \$30,000, which is comprised of \$24,000 in grant funds from the MPO and \$6,000 matching funds from the following contributors:**

- ❖ **Buncombe County**           **\$2,000**
- ❖ **Town of Woodfin**           **\$2,000**
- ❖ **Blue Ridge Bicycle Club**   **\$2,000**

The nature of this study is multi-jurisdictional. Buncombe County is administrating the grant with an over site committee of representatives from all interested parties. Buncombe County Parks, Greenways and Recreation Services is the best leader for implementation of this project. Another alternative would be for an outside agency within the community to oversee the grant.

**Funds/Staff requested:**

Grant Funds of \$30,000 to be used to contract with an engineering firm to conduct specialized studies. Finished product from firm will be a conceptual plan that can be used to seek substantial funding for the implementation of the project.

**Request submitted by:**   Angie Hall for Fran Thigpen, Director  \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Submitted:**   12/23/09  \_\_\_\_\_