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**Iowa Heartland RC&D Receives Two Grants from
National Park Service**

Indianola, IA – Sheila Navis, Executive Director of the Iowa Heartland Resource, Conservation & Development, Inc. (IHRC&D), announced today that the organization has been awarded two awards from the National Park Service’s Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) program. The awards provide technical assistance to develop concept plans for multi-use trails from Marion to Jasper Counties and from Madison to Warren Counties.

IHRC&D and the RTCA recognize the critical importance of broad-based, community-driven projects and encourage individuals interested in trail development to serve as volunteers in this effort. Planning meetings are currently scheduled for early December. For more information on meeting dates and locations, contact Sheila Navis at sheila.navis@ihrccd.org.

Iowa is quickly becoming known as the “trail capitol of the world,” with over 676 miles of trails in Central Iowa. When completed, the trails will link communities throughout central Iowa, with two loops totaling 100+ miles each, along with many other connections.

The IHRC&D is a 501(c)(3) corporation serving Dallas, Jasper, Madison, Marion, Polk and Warren counties for the purpose of improving the quality of life through economic development and resource conservation. Iowa Heartland RC&D activities this past year included efforts relating to expansion of the Central Iowa Trails, local foods/farmer’s markets and forest health activities.

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