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Leveraging expertise and experience

Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) is a National Park Service program that offers assistance for locally-led outdoor recreation and conservation projects. The premise is simple. Like-minded citizens bring their ideas to an RTCA professional who provides guidance to make projects happen.

Learn to:
• Think and plan strategically
• Communicate your ideas and build relationships
• Find funding sources
• Navigate state and federal regulations
• Design and construct trails
• Create waterway and conservation networks

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Take the first step
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Give your community something that will last a lifetime.
Do you have an idea for an outdoor recreation or conservation project for your community? RTCA can help by guiding you through the project step by step. We count on the drive, commitment, and enthusiasm of community members to carry out the project.

Create a Vision
Naknek, Alaska
RTCA guided the community of Naknek-King Salmon in developing a vision and creating an action plan for their proposed 2-mile Sockeye Run Fitness Trail and Bike Path.

"There's a lot of planning in planning a plan! I'm glad RTCA is there to help."
- Isabel Babiak, age 11, Naknek, AK

Take Action
Hooper Bay, Alaska
RTCA teaches cutting edge wetland trail construction methods to help protect important Yup'ik conservation values and subsistence ways of life in Hooper Bay.

"Thank you very much for a good project and one that benefits the birds and the land. We look forward to working with you on future projects."
- RJ Murran, Sea Lion Corporation Board Member

Work Together
Matanuska-Susitna Borough, Alaska
RTCA brings together interested groups to plan and design conservation networks.

"RTCA staff was essential to the coordination and success of our four-day 'Strategy Planning Using a Green Infrastructure Approach' training course. They also helped facilitate a pilot green infrastructure community planning project for the core area of the borough. RTCA is an important resource for us."
- Frankie Barker, Environmental Planner, Mat-Su Borough

Celebrate Results
Anchorage, Alaska
RTCA celebrates 7.5 miles of new sustainably designed singletrack mountain bike trails.

"The project never would have gotten 'on the ground' were it not for the assistance of the NPS-RTCA. RTCA technical support was invaluable for navigating the complex permitting process, identifying and securing funding, facilitating public/private partnerships and ushering the project through the public process."
- Janice Towers, Singletrack Advocates

You Can Do It
Ideas into Action
Communities can grow...