

**STAFF REPORT**  
**City of Lancaster**

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Date: September 8, 2009

To: Mayor Parris and Council Members

From: Brian S. Ludicke, Planning Director

Subject: **Application for Grant Funds from the Recreational Trails Program**

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**Recommendation:**

Adopt **Resolution No. 09-86**, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lancaster, California, approving the Application for Grant Funds from the Recreational Trails Program for the following project: Amargosa Creek Pathway.

**Background:**

The Planning Department, in cooperation with the Department of Parks, Recreation and Arts, and the Department of Public Works, is interested in submitting a grant application to the State Resources Agency under the "Recreational Trails Program". The application requires that the City Council adopt a resolution approving the filing of an application, certifying the project is consistent with the General Plan, certifying the applicant will have available sufficient funds to operate and maintain the project, and appointing the City Manager as agent for the project.

If the application is approved, the City could receive over \$3,000,000 towards the construction of a foot-bridge structure linking the existing trailhead at the Antelope Valley Fairgrounds with a trailhead and pathway on the east side of a flood control basin located northeast of Avenue H and 20<sup>th</sup> Street West. In addition, these funds would provide for the development of a pedestrian/bicycle trail from Avenue H to Avenue I. This project is in conformance with the Master Plan and Design Guidelines for the Amargosa Creek Pathway as approved by the City Council in October 1996 and November 13, 2001.

Preparation of the application is in progress, and will be required to be submitted to the State Resources Agency by October 1, 2009.

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**Attachment:**

Resolution No. 09-85