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Fwd: Rails-to-Trails Western Region Trail News and Updates

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Please share information about the California Trails and Greenways Conference in March at the Parks and Trails Commission meeting this Thursday. Thank you- Eileen Crim

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To: Barry Bergman <barry@railstotrails.org>

Greetings Western U.S. trail community!

Hope you are all starting off well in 2018. There are lots of valuable trail-related resources to share, both educational resources and funding opportunities. And please pass along any information about significant trail milestones in your area, such projects that have been completed or funded. And we are always looking to promote and share great examples of trail projects and related activities with the larger community of trail supporters, so don't be afraid to toot your own horn, we would love to hear from you.

Webinar: "Trails Transform America: Leveraging the Power of Connected Trail Infrastructure"

Hosted by Rails-to-Trails Conservancy, the session will be held on January 17, 2018, 11:00 pm to 12:00 pm Pacific Time. Presenters will be Jenny Selin (Morgantown, WV City Council), Husein Cumber (FL East Coast Industries) and Greg Cox (San Diego County, CA Board of Supervisors). For more information:

<http://bit.ly/2FIYWQQ><<https://pps.us2.list-manage.com/track/click?u=2c803e70a8ad33c13a95a1ee6&id=b362811f6d&e=ca81904c45>>.

Funding Opportunities

* Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund - RTC is once again receiving applications for grants from the Doppelt Family Trail Development Fund awarding a total of \$95,000 to organizations and local communities that are working to improve and connect multi-use trails across the country. Applications will be accepted until 11:00 p.m. (EST) on Jan. 31, 2018. Click [here](https://www.railstotrails.org/our-work/doppelt-family-trail-development-fund/application-instructions/?utm_campaign=doppelt&utm_medium=email&utm_source=120117_message)<https://www.railstotrails.org/our-work/doppelt-family-trail-development-fund/application-instructions/?utm_campaign=doppelt&utm_medium=email&utm_source=120117_message> for more details and information on the application process.

* Caltrans 2018/2019 Sustainable Communities Transportation Planning Grants - For those of you in California, while the 2017/2018 awards were just announced in December, the 2018/2019 grant cycle is following close behind. This is a great funding source for trail planning, including feasibility studies. Approximately \$17 million will be available in competitive grant funding for this cycle. Applications due February 23. For additional information: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.html>

* California Active Transportation Program - Cycle 4 of the ATP will be coming up shortly, with a call for projects expected in the spring. However, if you've submitted an ATP application previously, you know that an extensive amount of work is involved, so if you have not begun your preparation you will want to do so ASAP. Caltrans will be posting information about the call for projects on its web site: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LocalPrograms/atp/cycle-4.html>.

Upcoming conferences

* Active Living Research Conference: The premier event for researchers focusing on physical activity and active living. And what's even more enticing is that the conference is being held in Banff, Alberta, February 11-14, 2018. For more information: <http://www.alr-conference.com/>

* California Trails and Greenways Conference: The premier gathering of California trail professionals, this year's conference is being held in Rohnert Park on March 27-29. For more information: https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=24151

* Walk/Bike/Places 2018: Conference will be held in New Orleans, September 16-19, 2018. Session proposals are being received until February 2. For information: <https://www.walkbikeplaces.org/>

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