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RE: Rural Readiness Grant Application for Leelanau County
Grant Writer/Administrator

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as support for the Leelanau County grant application in the amount of \$50,000, for the Office of Rural Development's Rural Readiness Grant Program (RRGP).

Leelanau County recognizes the importance of adequate funding in order to ensure the success of proposed projects. These projects could include housing developments, expansion and improvement of recycling services, improvements and new opportunities for passive and active recreation, cyber security, security of our facilities, and other projects supported by our citizens. The application demonstrates Rural Capacity Building as the County will work with County departments, other agencies, non-profits, and our municipalities to research, identify and assist with grant opportunities for local projects.

Leelanau County's application is for \$50,000, with a match of \$12,100. This match will be in-kind services for travel, copies, supplies, and salary/fringe as outlined in the grant application budget. The majority of the in-kind services is for salary/fringe for the County Administrator, who will oversee this contracted position.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Ty Wessell, Chairman
Leelanau County Board of Commissioners