

# student sustainability committee

university of illinois at urbana-champaign



May 6th, 2010

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)  
Student Sustainability Committee

Re: Request for funding from the UIUC Sustainability / Clean Energy Technology Fees  
Project: Bike Parking and Hazelwood Path Improvements  
Applicant: Morgan Johnston

Dear Morgan:

On behalf of the Student Sustainability Committee for the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, I would like to thank you for responding to our call for proposals to use funds raised by the student Clean Energy Technology and Sustainability Fees to implement a project that improves the sustainability of our campus. Each proposal was evaluated based on its sustainability impact (i.e. energy or sustainability impact, campus presence, project longevity, and budget) and broader impact (i.e. education and creativity).

The Committee is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the Office of Sustainability that your project (to increase the availability of secure bike parking on campus and improve the Hazelwood bike path) **receive \$36,000 in funding, with the following requirements:** 1) that \$20,000 will be used to install bike loops on existing concrete or mulch in locations determined by student responses to a campus wide bike survey and approved by the Committee (to be submitted for approval by July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010), 2) That one location on mulch be piloted, 3) That \$1,500 be used to install an air pump at the Campus Bike Project at Pennsylvania Avenue, 4) That \$9,500 be used to provide parking specifically at the Illini Union on permeable concrete (at least 20-25 bike loops) and install an air pump; up to \$1,500 of this allocation may be used for the pump 5) That signage for Illini Union parking improvement be approved by the Committee before installation, 6) That all bicycle loops installed bear a decal indicating the Committee's support of the project, 7) That \$5,000 be used for improvements to the bicycle path along Hazelwood Drive, to remove obstacles and install a bicycle crossing at Lincoln Avenue, as well as to install additional signage to increase awareness of the bicycle/foot trail and acknowledge the Committee's support of the endeavor, 8) That the possibility of adding the trail to the campus map, campus bicycle plan, etc to further increase awareness of the path be investigated, and 9) That all funds provided by the SSC for be expended by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and that a final report of all work completed and accounting of funds spent be provided to us by November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. If you have any questions regarding these requirements, please contact us at [sustainability-committee@uiuc.edu](mailto:sustainability-committee@uiuc.edu)

The Committee will contact you when the Office of Sustainability officially approves this project. At that point, we will discuss the Committee's protocol for financial and progress management to complete this project, and make arrangements for transfer of funds. As previously discussed, semesterly updates and account statements describing how funds are being used will be required in addition to a final report on project completion.

Again, thank you for your interest in improving the sustainability of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Suhail F. Barot  
UIUC Student Sustainability Committee, Chair

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**Project:** Bike Parking and Hazelwood Path Improvements

**Funding Source:** Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

**Funding Amount:** \$36,000

**Receiving Campus Unit:** Facilities & Services, Transportation Demand Management

**Unit Financial Officer:** Morgan Johnston

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## **Project Description:**

This proposal looks to increase the use of bicycle transportation on campus. The project will expand bicycle parking and increase security for bicyclists by ~140 installing bike loops at top priority locations as determined by a campus wide survey and approved by the Committee. Additionally, at least 20-25 loops will be installed to increase available bike parking at the Illini Union, and pilot the use of permeable concrete. The project will also support the installation of bicycle air pumps at the Campus Bike Project at Pennsylvania Avenue and at the Illini Union. Additionally, the bicycle path along Hazelwood drive will undergo site improvements to encourage additional use, including the removal of obstacles and the installation of a bike crossing at Lincoln Avenue. These improvements to campus bicycle transportation infrastructure will be a visible effort to facilitate greater use of bicycle transportation over less sustainable methods and increase the awareness of campus commitment to responsible sustainable behavior. Thus, the Student Sustainability Committee is in favor of funding the fully requested amount of \$36,000.

## **Student Sustainability Committee:**

Suhail Barot, 09-10 Committee Chair

Date Approved: May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Erin Harper, 09-10 Committee Vice-Chair

Date Approved: 06/01/10

## **Office of Sustainability:**

Richard Warner, Director, Office of Sustainability

Date Approved: MAY 27 2010

Steve Sonka, Vice-Chancellor for Public Engagement

Date Approved: 06/04/10