





PROJECTS AND PARTNERS 2010

CURRENT PROJECTS

- 1. Alabama Statewide Trails Conference Alabama Department of Economic and **Community Affairs**
- 2. Dog River Watershed Scenic Blueway **Dog River Clearwater Revival**
- 3. Baldwin County Trail **Baldwin County Trailblazers**

Current Projects

1. Alabama Statewide Trails Conference Project Partner: Alabama Department of Economic and **Community Affairs**

NPS Contact: Deirdre Hewitt

Project Goal

The conference will bring various groups and agencies together to network, share information and improve cooperation in planning, trail development and the

"To have such a knowledgeable advisor [RTCA] as a project team member, opened our eyes to creative funding strategies and new partnerships"

> Fred Couch, President Alabama Scenic Rivers Trail, Inc

ABOUT US

implementation of recreation programs and services statewide. Additionally, the event will also develop a comprehensive inventory of existing recreational facilities to further determine greenway, outdoor recreation, trail and conservation needs.

RTCA Role

RTCA will assist in the development of the agenda, discussion topics, and the identification of agency invitees and conference speakers.

The Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) Program is the community assistance arm of the National Park Service. RTCA staff provides technical assistance to community groups and local, state, and federal government agencies working to protect natural areas and water resources and enhance close-to-home outdoor recreation opportunities. We help communities plan, organize partnerships, and achieve on-the-ground success on projects they initiate.

Dog River at Sunset

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Could your project benefit from RTCA Staff Assistance? Contact us to find out.

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2009 Nationwide

Partnership Success

87,385 Acres of Open Space and

Partners Satisfied

Parkland Protected

3,411

2,664

97%

Miles of Trail Developed

Miles of River Conserved

Percentage of Community

Current Projects cont.

2. Dog River Watershed Scenic Blueway

Location: Mobile County, Alabama Most southern county in Alabama. Congressional District(s): 1 Project Partner: Dog River Clearwater Revival NPS Contact: Liz Smith-Incer



Project Goal

Establish approximately eight miles of the initial blueway segments of the Dog River Blueway. The project will also produce a map showing greenways, landmarks, boat launches, fishing piers and parks along the Dog River to promote healthy activity for residents and environmental awareness.

RTCA Role

RTCA will assist in the planning process of the project coordinators and public outreach to promote trail use.

3. Baldwin County Trail

Location: Baldwin County, Alabama Congressional District(s): 1 Project Partner: Baldwin County Trailblazers NPS Contact: Liz Smith-Incer

Project Goal

To produce a long- term strategic plan for greenways and pedestrian/bike paths for the Baldwin County Rails to Trails Project. This project will increase awareness of the public access that is available for recreational users and will connect the county seat of Bay Minette to the cities of Foley, Loxley and Robertsdale, Alabama.

RTCA Role

Assisting Baldwin County to design an overall trail strategy; and master plan. Craft a resource assessment strategy and assess sections on the trail for further development.





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