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Jessica Mounts, District Fisheries Biologist  
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RE: The Arkansas River Water Trail

The City of Oxford, Kansas is pleased to offer our support for the Arkansas River Water Trail (ARWT) application to the National Water Trails System. We have partnered with the State of Kansas through the Arkansas River Corridor Access Plan and are committed to continuing to promote river recreation.

We will confirm that the specific land under our jurisdiction will be listed as "open to the public", and will remain so for at least the next ten years. This access point includes Cave Park.

We support the National Water Trail designation for the Arkansas River Water Trail. We understand that such a designation does not require extra regulations or compromise the ability for us to manage our lands in any manner. We also understand that receiving this designation will increase visitors to the ARWT; awareness of the ARWT, public lands along the river corridor and the trail communities (Trail Towns). The ARWT and its access points can benefit from technical assistance and any future funding available from the National Water Trails system.

We hope this support will help in achieving the designation of The Arkansas River Water Trail with the National Water Trails System.

Sincerely,  
CITY OF OXFORD

Tom Lowry, Park Commissioner