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Mr. David Spiering
Buffalo Museum of Science/ Tift Preserve
1200 Furman Blvd.
Buffalo, NY 14203

Dear Dave,

I am pleased to inform you that the Niagara Greenway Ecological Standing Committee (GESC) has decided to award funding for your project proposal, *Green Infrastructure and Native Landscape at Tift Preserve*. We are excited about the potential of the proposed project to further enhance the ecological recovery of the Greenway with the restoration of native plant communities in the landscape.

I understand that the execution of the proposal is contingent on the other phases of the larger green infrastructure improvements at Tift. In regard to this aspect of the project, the GESC will commit \$30,000 as an estimate of project costs and reserve the funds until the point in time when they are needed. Please inform me of any changes in the proposed budget as the project plan becomes more detailed so that the GESC can review and consider the final budget request.

Congratulations on your award and please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Timothy DePriest, GESC Chair