



Vera Cruz Paddlesports Launch Project Fundraiser

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Wells County Trails, the Wells County Community Foundation, the Town of Vera Cruz, and the Wells County Commissioners have partnered together to install a paddlesports launch with your help on the northwest side of the SR 301 bridge in Vera Cruz, Indiana. Wells County Trails contracted with Engineering Resources, Miller Land Surveying, and Three Rivers Wetland Consultants to develop a plan and obtain the proper permitting needed to develop this project. The project when fully completed will include a concrete entry ramp to the river, a vehicle unloading area, a driveway, and a grass parking area.

MATCH OPPORTUNITY

We have been blessed to receive a **\$55,000 dollar-for-dollar match** from the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) and AARP. **With your help, we can meet that match which will fully fund the construction of this project.** The project goal is to raise \$140,000 in total to cover construction and set aside funds for future maintenance. The Project will be owned and maintained by the Town of Vera Cruz.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Become a project sponsor at one of the following levels:

Paddlesports Launch Ramp Sponsor	\$25,000.00
Driveway Sponsor	\$10,000.00
Diamond Sponsor	\$5,000.00
Gold Sponsor	\$2,500.00
Silver Sponsor	\$1,000.00
Bronze Sponsor	\$500.00
Paddle Sponsor	\$250.00
Friend of the River Sponsor	\$100.00

Donate Online Today!!



Donations in the Project Name Sponsor level to the Bronze Sponsor level will be highlighted on a sign at the launch site, on social media, and on our website. Donations in the Paddle and Friend of the River Sponsor levels will be highlighted on social media and on our website.

Make Checks out to Wells County Trails.

Wells County Revitalization is a 501c3. Wells County Trails is part of Wells County Revitalization making your gift tax deductible.

Mail or drop off donations to the Wells County Foundation at 222 W. Market St., Bluffton, IN 46714. **Thanks in advance for your support!**

**For any questions contact Mike Lautzenheiser with Wells County Trails
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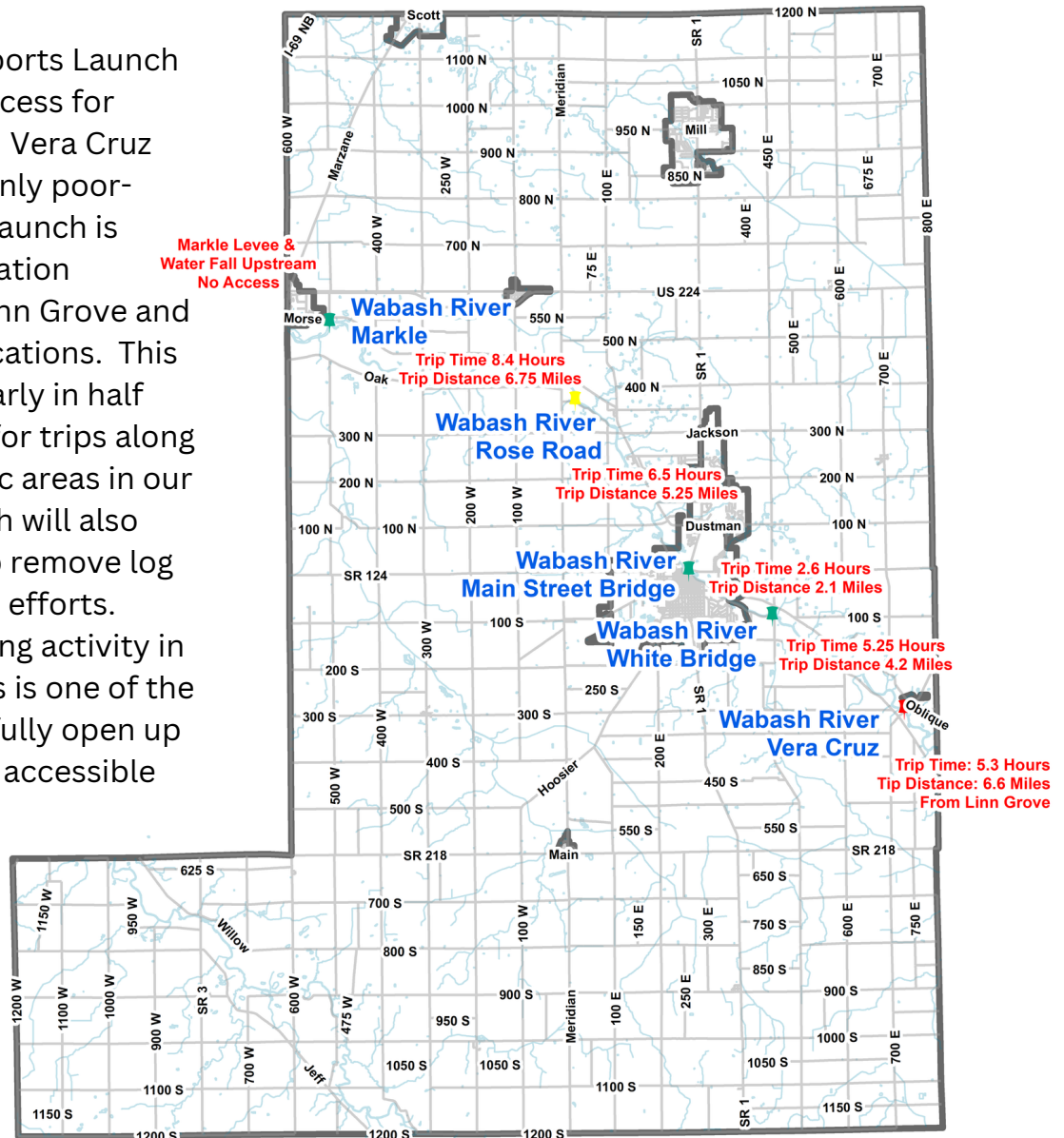


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Case for the Project

The Vera Cruz Paddlesports Launch site helps to provide access for kayakers of all abilities. Vera Cruz launch location is our only poor-rated launch site. The launch is located in a perfect location between the existing Linn Grove and White Bridge launch locations. This splits a long stretch nearly in half creating more options for trips along some of the most scenic areas in our community. This launch will also allow for access to help remove log jams and river clean-up efforts. Kayaking is a fast-growing activity in our community and this is one of the final pieces needed to fully open up the Wabash River as an accessible waterway.

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Why Now?

Wells County and Wells County Trails combined efforts to work on goals for trails and kayaking for our community in the Wells County Vision 2035 Comprehensive Plan. The goal is to complete as many of these goals as possible before 2035. We were able to obtain the necessary property, design work, and permits to start this project. Wells County Trails is hoping to complete this project and then work to do similar work on the Salamonie River on the south side of our county. We are excited to see this project move to completion and open the door for more outdoor recreation opportunities within our community.

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