



Funding Award and Acceptance Letter

December 12, 2012

Project Leader: Bruce Litchfield

Project Team: Yan Chu, Richard Xiao Yan, Jon Stricker, Valeri Werpetinski

Project: Bridge to China Allerton Park Project

Re: Sustainable Campus Environment Fee – Award Recommendation

Dear Dr. Litchfield:

On behalf of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Student Sustainability Committee (SSC), I would like to thank you for considering the funds raised by the Sustainable Campus Environment Fee to implement a project that improves the sustainability of our campus.

SSC is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the Office of Sustainability that the Bridge to China Allerton Park project **receive \$5,500 in grant funding**, the full amount requested. This funding is contingent upon confirmation that SSC is not held liable for the project and that a professional engineering firm will assume liability.

In order to remain eligible for this award, you must agree to the following conditions:

1. All funds must be spent by December 31, 2013.
2. A final report of all work completed should be provided by January 30, 2014.
3. Project status updates and detailed account statements must be provided at the end of each semester until the project is completed.
4. Any substantial modifications to project scope, budget, or timeline must first be approved by SSC.
5. All projects will be expected to follow campus policies and procedures as well as any applicable State and Federal laws.
6. SSC reserves the right to revoke funding if the project does not comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this letter.

If you agree to the terms and conditions for the funding, please sign on the designated line at the bottom of this letter. If you have any questions regarding these requirements please contact the SSC Program Advisor, McKenzie Beverage, at mbeverag@illinois.edu. You will be notified when the Office of Sustainability officially approves this project. 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.

SSC Signatories

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Project Information

Project: Bridge to China Allerton Park Project

Funding Source: Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

Funding Amount: \$5,500

Award Code: 1-303692-227062-227179-227ALB

Receiving Campus Unit: College of Engineering

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Project Description:

Allerton Park, located in Monticello, Ill., was previously the private estate of Robert Henry Allerton. In 1946 Allerton Park was given as a gift to the University of Illinois by Robert Allerton as "an educational and research center, as a forest and wildlife and plant-life reserve, as an example of landscape architecture, and as a public park" (History). Today, the park is used for various purposes, such as business meetings, hiking, and weddings. Allerton Park is 4.7 miles away from downtown Monticello (as shown in Tab 3 "Maps") and has three entrances to it. One of these entrances is a North Entrance that leads from Old Timber Road. Allerton Park will construct a pedestrian pathway which runs alongside Old Timber Road, connecting the Visitor Centre of the park to County Farm Road, which is connected to downtown Monticello. However, a quarter mile north from the visitors center the path is obstructed by a creek, which is difficult to cross. Allerton Park needs a solution that would help connect the two ends of this path over the creek. They wish to construct a bike path that would connect all three entrances of the Park and provide a form of transportation within the park. Allerton Park wishes to draw visitors towards the park via a safe and sustainable transportation method and to promote a positive relationship between users and the natural environment. Also, this bridge project will assist the student organization, Bridge to China, to build sustainable bridges in future bridge projects in China.