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Dear Friend of the W&OD Trail,

Last evening, the Leesburg Environmental Advisory Commission bestowed Save the Trail, Inc. with their annual Tolbert Award. This honor recognizes Save the Trail's two-year effort to protect the last 11 miles of the W&OD Trail from Dominion Virginia Power's power lines. Alas this battle is far from won! **We must raise funds for our legal fund immediately to pay for Save the Trail's attorney.**

The old saying that, "Money doesn't grow on trees" is unfortunately true. Otherwise, the Trail would have 26,000 trees growing money to help save the beautiful tree canopy threatened by 110-foot transmission towers along the Trail. Have you been out for a walk or a bike ride or a jog on the Trail recently? We urge you to head right out your front door now and visit the Trail and imagine it without trees - a parking lot for power lines!

**The hearings are set to reconvene on June 19 for approximately two weeks.** These hearings were delayed in late March after three days of testimony. They were delayed in order to provide written notice to homeowners along a newly proposed route proposed by the hearing examiner of the State Corporation Commission. (The SCC is the state regulatory authority that will decide the location of the power lines.)

**The legal battle will be very difficult and is very expensive.** The Trail is in serious play as the route that the SCC will select. We now ask you to look up at the trees along the Trail and help save the Trail. It's that simple. Please help Save the Trail!

Will you please contribute generously today? **You can donate online using our secure Paypal payment system at [www.savethetrail.com](http://www.savethetrail.com) or mail in your contribution. 100% of your donation will go to our legal fund and is fully tax deductible.**

For more information, please visit our website at [www.savethetrail.com](http://www.savethetrail.com).

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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