

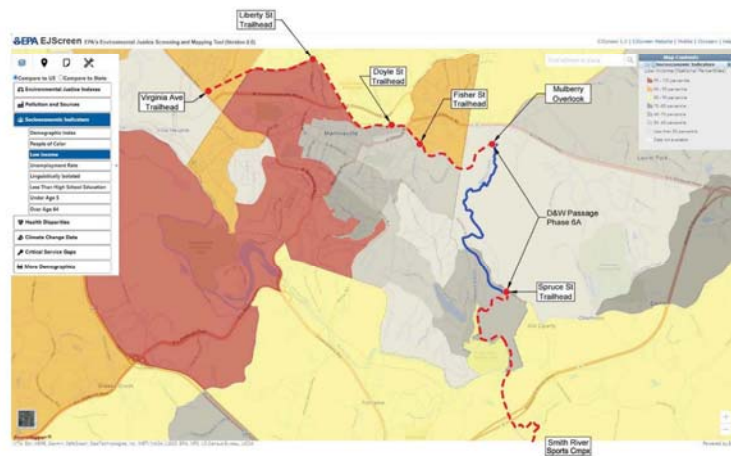
ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW RECORD

APPENDIX 14 – Environmental Justice

GRANT NUMBER: **DHCD CONTRACT # 22-PW-01A**

PROJECT NAME:
Dick & Willie Passage Trail 6A Completion

When looking at the Dick & Willie Trail within the EPA's [EJScreening tool](#), the opportunities this trail provides for a broad range of citizens becomes evident. And while the primary ARC metrics focus more on visitors than residents, we stress that a trail corridor crossing diverse census tracts is of value to expanding experiences and can facilitate a greater understanding of Appalachian communities.



When examining Phase 6A-2 section relative to Low-Income populations, it is clear that completing this portion of the trail will serve as an important connector for residents in some of Henry County's most underserved census tracts, offering a space that provides free recreational opportunities as well as providing a link to an entire 11 miles of trail. The D&W Trail becomes an important socio-economic equalizer as well as a pathway connecting low-income census tracts to increased recreational and healthy activities including the entire trail and the Smith River Sports Complex and additional greenspaces in the County.

