Water Trails Boost to Local Economy

<u>ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF WATER TRAILS</u> (This is a great PowerPoint siting the benefits to various communities across the US that have created Water Trails)

2 helpful videos

- Outdoor Recreation Jobs PSA 2024 Update
- 2021 Outdoor Recreation Economy Data Release

The Outdoor Industry Association is a national report that provides statistics for all types of outdoor recreation, revenue, and jobs created by outdoor sports:

OIAReport National.pdf 2017 Outdoor Industry Association Economy Report

Below are helpful articles that speak to the economic impact of paddle sports like kayaking and kayak fishing, SUP, etc:

6 Economic Benefits of Adding an Accessible-Adaptive Kayak Launch

- BoardSafe Improves Economic Benefits to Communities in East Tennessee
- Legacy Parks Paddle Options Offer Economic Benefit to Our Community #3

Blue Trails Boost Local Economies

Report: River Recreation Boosts Economy and Creates Jobs

An Economic Argument for Water Trails

Trails Make Economic Sense

https://recreationroundtable.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Maryland-2022-One-Pager.pdf

Economic Value of the Maryland Coastal Bays Watershed

Calling all paddlers: Baltimore is getting a water trail system

https://library.weconservepa.org/library_items/1090-Trail-User-Survey-Workbook-How-to-Conduct-a-Survey and win support for your trail