

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Planning, Programming and Modal Division
Office of Systems Planning Order No. _____
 Submitted by Stuart Anderson Phone No. 515-239-1661 Meeting Date October 14, 2014
 Title State Recreational Trails Program Funding Recommendations

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

Review of the current round of applications for funding from the State Recreational Trails Program has been completed. The following recommendations will be presented.

Ankeny Connector - High Trestle Trail (Polk County Conservation Board)	\$ 782,500
Cedar Valley Nature Trail Bridge E4 Replacement (Black Hawk County Conservation Board)	160,906
Coon Rapids Connector Trail Underpass (Coon Rapids)	224,437
Great River Road Bike Lane (Louisa County Secondary Roads)	340,000
Hoover Trail - "The Missing Link" (Johnson County Conservation Board)	454,000
Iowa DNR AmeriCorps Trail Crew (Iowa Department of Natural Resources)	296,250
Iowa River Trail Phase 1 Development (Marshalltown and Hardin County)	775,000
Lake Path Trail/Jewellsworth Trail Segment (Hamilton County Conservation Board)	647,140
Mississippi River Trail - Pikes Peak Road to Guttenberg (Clayton County)	579,074
Pottawattamie County Trail - Phase I (Pottawattamie County Conservation Board and Pottawattamie County Trail Board)	700,000
Red Cedar Trail and Connector (Linn County Conservation Board and Linn Area Mountain Bike Association)	55,000
SW 5th (Jackson) Street Bridge Rehabilitation (Des Moines)*	500,000
 Total	 \$5,514,307

*Historic bridge allocation

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve the State Recreational Trails Program funding recommendations, as listed.

COMMISSION ACTION:			Vote		
			Aye	Nay	
			Pass		
	Moved by _____	Seconded by _____	Boswell	_____	_____
			Huber	_____	_____
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			Putney	_____	_____
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		Rose	_____	_____	
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_____ Division Director	_____ Legal	_____ State Director			

STATE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM

Application Summary and Funding Proposal

July 2014 FUNDING CYCLE

July 2014 Funding Summary

Available Funding

FY 2015 appropriation: \$6,000,000 (Including \$1,000,000 to refurbish existing trail bridges that have documented historical and architectural significance with a maximum of \$500,000 awarded per project.)

Additional funding available due to project close out: \$14,307

RT-CLSP(63)--9H-21 \$14,307

Total State Recreational Trails Funds Available = \$6,014,307

Application Summary

Total number of existing historical trail bridge applications: 1
Total of existing historical trail bridge project costs: \$3,740,000
Total of existing historical trail bridge requested amount: \$500,000

Total number of recreational trail applications: 56
Total of recreational trail project costs: \$54,089,929
Total of recreational trail project requested amount: \$26,855,739

Recommendation Summary

Existing Historic Trail Bridge Total: \$500,000
Recreation Trail Total: \$5,014,307
Total State Recreational Trails Program: \$5,514,307

Remaining Funding Available: \$500,000 for existing historic trail bridges. Will plan to receive applications January 2, 2015 for remaining bridge funding.

FUNDING PROPOSAL

Staff Recommends Projects 1 through 12 for State Recreational Trails Funding Approval.

	<u>Project</u>	<u>Grant</u>	<u>Cumulative</u>
1.	Ankeny Connector - High Trestle Trail (Polk County Conservation Board)	\$782,500	\$782,500
2.	Cedar Valley Nature Trail Bridge E4 Replacement (Black Hawk County Conservation Board)	\$160,906	\$943,406
3.	Coon Rapids Connector Trail Underpass (Coon Rapids)	\$224,437	\$1,167,843
4.	Great River Road Bike Lane (Louisa County Secondary Roads)	\$340,000	\$1,507,843
5.	Hoover Trail - "The Missing Link" (Johnson County Conservation Board)	\$454,000	\$1,961,843
6.	Iowa DNR AmeriCorps Trail Crew (Iowa Department of Natural Resources)	\$296,250	\$2,258,093
7.	Iowa River Trail Phase 1 Development (Marshalltown and Hardin County)	\$775,000	\$3,033,093
8.	Lake Path Trail / Jewellsworth Trail Segment (Hamilton County Conservation Board)	\$647,140	\$3,680,233
9.	Mississippi River Trail - Pikes Peak Road to Guttenberg (Clayton County)	\$579,074	\$4,259,307
10.	Pottawattamie County Trail-Phase I (Pottawattamie County Conservation Board and Pottawattamie County Trail Board)	\$700,000	\$4,959,307
11.	Red Cedar Trail and Connector (Linn County Conservation Board and Linn Area Mountain Bike Association)	\$55,000	\$5,014,307
12.	SW 5th (Jackson) Street Bridge Rehabilitation (Des Moines)	\$500,000	\$5,514,307
13.	2015-2016 Bridge Rehabilitation Program 6th Street Bridge over Squaw Creek (Ames)		
14.	Ankeny Market and Pavilion - Restroom Facility (Ankeny)		
15.	Bettendorf Mississippi River Trail - Riverdale Border to Pigeon Creek Park (Bettendorf)		
16.	Big Sioux River Trail and Rail Walk Trail Network: Milwaukee Railroad Shops Historic District (Siouxland Historical Railroad Association and Sioux City)		
17.	Carroll Recreational Trail Phase I (Carroll)		
18.	Central Iowa Trails Wayfinding Signage Implementation (Iowa Heartland Resource Conservation & Development)		
19.	Chichaqua Valley Trail Repair (Jasper County Conservation Board)		
20.	City/County Connector Trail (Council Bluffs)		
21.	Clarinda Community Trail; Phase 1 (Clarinda and Clarinda Community Trail Committee)		
22.	Connecting Fort Madison! Phase I Bluff Road to Ivanhoe Park (Fort Madison)		
23.	Davis County Regional Trail: Phase 1 (Bloomfield and Davis County Trails Council)		
24.	Extension of Plum Creek Bike and Nature Trail to Split Rock Park (Chickasaw County Trail Committee)		
25.	Fayette-Volga River Multi-Use Trail (Upper Iowa University and Fayette)		

26. Gay Lea Wilson Trail East Extension (Altoona and Bondurant)
27. Gay Lea Wilson Trail - East - Segment 3 (Bondurant)
28. Gear Avenue Trail - Phase I (West Burlington)
29. Gypsum City Off Highway Vehicle Park (Iowa Department of Natural Resources and Webster County Improvement Corporation)
30. Heart of Iowa Nature Trail Phase 9 - Hard Surfacing Cambridge to Huxley (Story County Conservation Board and Huxley)
31. Heritage Trail (Dubuque County Conservation Board)
32. High Trestle Trail - SW Ordnance Road Connection (Ankeny)
33. Hoover Nature Trail Construction - Ely to Johnson County Line (Linn County Conservation Board and Ely)
34. Iowa Great Lakes Connection Trail Phase 2 (Spencer)
35. Iowa River Trail - Benton Street to Sturgis Ferry Park (Iowa City)
36. Iowa River Trail - Coralville Section (Coralville)
37. Jones Pasture Trail (Dickinson County Trails Board)
38. Lake Belva Deer Area Trail Segment (Keokuk County and Keokuk County Highway Department)
39. Liberty Trail (Independence)
40. Mt. Pleasant City-Wide Trail Network: Crossroads Trail Connection (Mount Pleasant and SE Iowa Regional Planning Commission)
41. Neal Smith Trail Renovation and Widening (Des Moines)
42. Nishna Loop Pedestrian Trail (Carson)
43. North Park Trail Development (Asbury)
44. Norwalk Phase One W. North Ave Trail Connection (Norwalk)
45. Q-Pond Park Trail System (Osceola and Osceola Chamber Main Street)
46. Raccoon River Valley Trail Paved Road Crossings (Guthrie County Conservation Board)
47. Raccoon River Valley Trail to High Trestle Trail Connector (Dallas County Conservation Board)
48. River Forest Road Levee Bike Trail (Evansdale)
49. Rolling Prairie Trail - Allison to Bristow (Butler County Conservation Board)
50. Sauk Rail Trail - Swan Lake Segment Resurfacing (Carroll County Conservation Board)
51. Scotch Ridge Nature Trail (Carlisle)
52. Trail Construction and Paving - Phase 4 - Cedar Valley Nature Trail (Linn County Conservation Board)
53. Turkey River Recreational Corridor- Elgin to Gilbertson Park and the Turkey River (Fayette County Conservation Board)
54. Underwood Trail - Railroad Hwy (Underwood and Pottawattamie County Trail Board)
55. US 63 Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations (Waterloo)
56. Walnut Creek Trail - 156th Street to Waterford Road (Urbandale)
57. Waukee Trailhead Public Art and Amenities (Waukee and Waukee Trailhead Public Art Project Committee)

- 1. Project Name: Ankeny Connector - High Trestle Trail**

Sponsor: Polk County Conservation Board
Contact: Loren Lown
11407 NW Jester Park Drive
Granger, IA 50109-9675

Description: This project will extend the 25 mile long High Trestle Trail another six miles from the center of Ankeny to the north side of Des Moines. This important link in the Central Iowa Trail Network will link the north of the Des Moines Metro to the High Trestle Trail, Ankeny's new AMP project and many other trails. The trail will provide an alternative recreation and transportation resource for an underserved area of the metro.

Total Cost: \$5,120,000
Requested Amount: \$ 782,500 (15%)

- 2. Project Name: Cedar Valley Nature Trail Bridge E4 Replacement**

Sponsor: Black Hawk County Conservation Board
Contact: Vern Fish, Executive Director
1346 W. Airline Hwy
Waterloo, IA 50703

Description: This application provides for demolition and replacement of the existing Cedar Valley Nature Trail Bridge E4. The new bridge will be constructed utilizing a 10' wide, 110' long prefabricated structure.

Total Cost: \$214,542
Requested Amount: \$160,906 (75%)

- 3. Project Name: Coon Rapids Connector Trail Underpass**

Sponsor: City of Coon Rapids
Contact: Jessica Leighty, City Clerk
123 3rd Street
Coon Rapids, IA 50058

Description: The proposed project would construct a trail underpass under Iowa Highway 141. This underpass would connect the City of Coon Rapids Trail System, the Riverside Park Trail and the Whiterock Conservancy Trail networks.

Total Cost: \$299,250
Requested Amount: \$224,437 (75%)

4. Project Name: Great River Road Bike Lane

Sponsor: Louisa County Secondary Roads
Contact: Larry Roehl, County Engineer
8313 K Avenue
Wapello, IA 52653

Description: The project will be to provide matching funding for paving a shoulder along Louisa County Road X61 (Great River Road) for a 13 mile length. Louisa County X61 is a shared use route for bicycles and vehicles. The project will provide a separated line to increase safety for bicycles vehicular traffic. The project will be performed on the existing road shoulders within the road Right of Way.

Total Cost: \$1,690,000
Requested Amount: \$ 340,000 (20%)

5. Project Name: Hoover Trail - "The Missing Link"

Sponsor: Johnson County Conservation Board
Contact: Larry Gullett, Executive Director
2048 Highway 6 NW
Oxford, IA 52322

Description: Connecting this 5.8 mile "missing link" of the Hoover Trail from Ely to Solon will connect more than 200 miles of trails in eastern Iowa, including four of Iowa's largest communities and 10 urban trail systems in Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, Cedar Falls and Waterloo. The counties directly touched by completing the hard-surfaced trail include: Johnson, Linn, Buchanan, Benton and Black Hawk, which have a combined population of 534,487, according to 2013 census bureau estimates. This proposal includes for the design, engineering and environmental and cultural assessments.

Total Cost: \$606,000
Requested Amount: \$454,000 (75%)

- 6. Project Name: Iowa DNR AmeriCorps Trail Crew**
- Sponsor:** Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Contact: Whitney S. Davis
502 E. 9th Street
Des Moines, IA 50319-8959
- Description:** Rehabilitation and development of trails in Iowa's state parks, upward of 100 miles.
- Total Cost:** \$395,000
Requested Amount: \$296,250 (75%)
- 7. Project Name: Iowa River Trail Phase 1 Development**
- Sponsor:** City of Marshalltown
Contact: Terry Gray, Parks and Recreation Director
24 N. Center Street
Marshalltown, IA 50158
- Co-Sponsor:** Hardin County
Contact: Nancy Lauver, Board Secretary
1215 Edgington Avenue
Eldora, IA 50627
- Description:** Construct 9,915 LF (1.88 miles) of 8-10' wide hard surfaced trail in Marshalltown and Hardin County, construct 357 LF of wood decking and railings on the Steamboat Rock Iowa River Bridge and two smaller structures in Marshalltown and Hardin County.
- Total Cost:** \$1,335,000
Requested Amount: \$ 775,000 (58%)
- 8. Project Name: Lake Path Trail / JewEllsworth Trail Segment**
- Sponsor:** Hamilton County Conservation Board
Contact: Brian Lammers, Executive Director
2490 Briggs Woods Trail
Webster City, IA 50595
- Description:** The proposed project is to construct a 2.3 mile hard surfaced multi-purpose recreational trail between the communities of Jewell and Ellsworth that would include the National Natural Landmark of Goose Lake. This will be the first step in a multi-phase project connecting the two communities together. The second immediate phase is to connect the trail to Little Wall Lake, another natural glacial lake just 1.5 miles to the south.
- Total Cost:** \$862,853
Requested Amount: \$647,140 (75%)

9. **Project Name:** **Mississippi River Trail - Pikes Peak Road to Guttenberg**
- Sponsor:** Clayton County
Contact: Rafe Koopman, Clayton County Office Building
600 Gunder Road NE, Suite 14
Elkader, IA 52043
- Description:** This project will place a 6-foot wide, 3-inch thick HMA overlay on 26.4 miles of the MRT, 13.2 miles of trail on each side of the Great River Road/County Road X56 in Clayton County, from Pikes Peak Road to Guttenberg. This is a popular MRT segment for tourists, especially those traveling between Pikes Peak State Park, private campgrounds, trout streams or state and federal natural areas and Guttenberg. Both roadway and the MRT have aged and deteriorated, so the overlay of the trail will be completed at the same time as the overlay of the roadway.
- Total Cost:** \$1,369,575
Requested Amount: \$1,027,181 (75%)
10. **Project Name:** **Pottawattamie County Trail-Phase I**
- Sponsor:** Pottawattamie County Conservation Board
Contact: Mark Shoemaker
223 South 6th street
Council Bluffs, IA 51501
- Co Sponsor:** Pottawattamie County Trail Board
Contact: Brian Shea, President
223 South 6th Street
Council Bluffs, IA 51503
- Description:** Pottawattamie County proposes to design, engineer and construct approximately 15 miles of multi-use trail from Council Bluffs to Neola. The request is for Phase I of a multi-phase project which will develop a trail throughout Pottawattamie County connecting all communities as well as linking to trails within the region.
- Total Cost:** \$1,930,000
Requested Amount: \$ 700,000 (36%)

11. Project Name: Red Cedar Trail and Connector

Sponsor: Linn County Conservation Board
Contact: Randy Burke, Planner
10260 Morris Hills Road
Toddville, IA 52341

Co Sponsor: Linn Area Mountain Bike Association
Contact: Michelle Barker, President
PO Box 2768
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

Description: The Red Cedar Trail will create an all-new trail experience at Squaw Creek County Park - a family friendly singletrack loop tied directly to existing park infrastructure. The targets of this loop are new trail users, lacking the confidence, fitness, or skill, to consider wandering completely out of sight of familiar surroundings, such as youth on strider bikes or the older fitness walkers resorting to walking along the park roads. The concept alignment, mirroring the Ski Lodge Road loop, balances forest and meadow sections. When crossing meadows, the concept stays high on the hill to provide views over the newly restored prairie wetland. Forest segments "play" with the landscape's contour. Suggestions to configure the loop to cross the road are not made lightly, but such an alignment has the potential to create a more sustainable trail while respecting the northern slopes hosting winter sports activities. The Red Cedar Loop and Connector will be approximately 8,500 feet in length.

Total Cost: \$75,000
Requested Amount: \$55,000 (73%)

- 12. Project Name: SW 5th (Jackson) Street Bridge Rehabilitation**
- Sponsor:** City of Des Moines Park and Recreation
Contact: Mindy S. Moore, Park Planner II
3226 University Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50311
- Description:** The existing bridge is a 392 foot long by 25 feet wide, three-span steel through high-truss, originally built in 1898 for urban wagon traffic. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places due to its architectural significance as well as its association with bridge construction practices in the late 1800s. The bridge was converted to pedestrian use in 1998. A subsequent inspection identified significant deterioration and an inability to calculate the load capacity, which caused the bridge to be closed to all use in March 2013.
- Total Cost:** \$3,740,000
Requested Amount: \$ 500,000 (13%)
- 13. Project Name: 2015-2016 Bridge Rehabilitation Program (6th Street Bridge over Squaw Creek)**
- Sponsor:** City of Ames
Contact: Corey Mellies, P.E., Public Works Operations Manager
515 Clark Avenue
Ames, IA 50010
- Description:** Includes creation of approximately 1,800 ft. of 5' bike lanes on 6th Street, reconstruction of 660 ft. of 8' shared-use path on the south side of 6th Street. Also includes a pedestrian-activated crosswalk warning signal at Brookside Park and bike signals and bike boxes at the 6th and Brookridge/Hazel intersection. Total project length approximately 0.25 mile.
- Total Cost:** \$2,870,000
Requested Amount: \$ 141,255 (5%)
- 14. Project Name: Ankeny Market and Pavilion - Restroom Facility**
- Sponsor:** City of Ankeny
Contact: Nick Lenox, Director of Parks and Recreation
210 South Ankeny Blvd.
Ankeny, IA 50023
- Description:** Restroom facility for the Ankeny Market & Pavilion; High Trestle Trail Trailhead.
- Total Cost:** \$2,161,382
Requested Amount: \$ 245,000 (11%)

- 15. Project Name:** Bettendorf Mississippi River Trail - Riverdale Border to Pigeon Creek Park
- Sponsor:** City of Bettendorf
Contact: Steve Grimes, Parks and Recreation Director
 Bettendorf City Hall 1609 State Street
 Bettendorf, IA 52722
- Description:** 19,750 linear feet of which 4,500 is separated trail This project provides an alternative to MRT trail users traveling along US 67 widened shoulder with over 9,300 ADT. The project includes building a separated recreational trail from Fenno Road at the Riverdale/Bettendorf border to Crow Creek along the north side of US 67. A separated trail bridge will be built over Crow Creek and a path will be constructed under US 67 on the east side of the creek. A separated path will be built on the south side of US 67 to 62 Street Court. SHARROW'S will be marked on 62nd Street Court, Shoreline Drive and Schutters Lane to Pigeon Creek Park and Eagles Landing where reconstruction of an existing nonconforming trail will occur along the Mississippi to aid recreational, family/disabled users with direct river access.
- Total Cost:** \$920,000
Requested Amount: \$690,000 (75%)
- 16. Project Name:** Big Sioux River Trail and Rail Walk Trail Network: Milwaukee Railroad Shops Historic District
- Sponsor:** Siouxland Historical Railroad Association
Contact: Larry Obermeyer, Board Chair and President
 PO Box 1355
 Sioux City, IA 51102
- Co-Sponsor:** City of Sioux City
Contact: Angel Wallace
 Parks and Recreation Manager
 405 6th Street
 Sioux City, IA 51102
- Description:** This multi-faceted project involves (1) the construction of a 10-foot wide, paved off-road portion of the Big Sioux River Trail, approximately a 1/2 mile in length; (2) development of a one mile hard surfaced Rails-to-Trail interpretive loop walking/hiking trail network within the boundaries of the Milwaukee Railroad Shops Historic District; and (3) installation of a trail head and terminal with paved parking.
- Total Cost:** \$559,268
Requested Amount: \$363,524 (65%)

- 17. Project Name: Carroll Recreational Trail Phase I**
- Sponsor:** City of Carroll
Contact: Jack Wardell, Parks and Recreation Director
112 E. 5th Street
Carroll, IA 51401
- Description:** The proposed project would connect Northeast Park and Veterans Memorial Park in the City of Carroll. The trail length is approximately 1.2 miles.
- Total Cost:** \$479,000
Requested Amount: \$229,000 (48%)
- 18. Project Name: Central Iowa Trails Wayfinding Signage Implementation**
- Sponsor:** Iowa Heartland Resource Conservation & Development
Contact: Gay Lea Wilson, President
Warren County Admin. Bldg.
301 N. Buxton, Suite 202
Indianola, IA 50125
- Description:** Iowa Heartland Resource Conservation & Development has brought together 17 counties and cities in a partnership to implement the Central Iowa Trail (CIT) Communications Media plan. The goal of the plan is to have a consistent, iconic, recognizable, unifying, cross-jurisdictional, high-quality complete signage system for the Central Iowa Trails network. This project includes the turn-key implementation of the following signage components: 28 Information Hubs (InfoHub), 15 Information Panels (InfoPanel) and 93 Directional Standards. "Turn-Key" refers to the fabrication, materials, labor, individualized graphic design for mapping and interpretation, bidding, construction observation, construction staking and contract administration.
- Total Cost:** \$1,404,300
Requested Amount: \$1,053,225 (75%)

19. Project Name: Chichaqua Valley Trail Repair

Sponsor: Jasper County Conservation Board
Contact: Keri Van Zante
1030 W 2nd Street South
Newton, IA 50208

Description: A 3.7 mile section of the Chichaqua Valley Trail needs to be repaired to keep the connectivity of this important rail trail that links Baxter with Bondurant, and soon with Des Moines, Ankeny and Pleasant Hill. The HMA on this section of trail cracked open deep into the base during the summer of 2012. Spring of 2013, the Jasper County Conservation Board pulverized the trail to keep users safe from accidents and injury. A new asphalt surface is needed to repair the trail back to its original condition.

Total Cost: \$422,933
Requested Amount: \$317,200 (75%)

20. Project Name: City/County Connector Trail

Sponsor: City of Council Bluffs Parks, Recreation & Public Property Department
Contact: Terry Hoffman, Project Coordinator
209 Pearl Street
Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Description: The construction of the City/County Connector Trail along Railroad Highway, from Kaneshville Blvd. to the northern Council Bluffs Corporate Limits. This connection requires only a one mile section of trail beginning at the city limits and its connection with the County Trail Board's proposed trail, and terminating at Kaneshville Blvd. where it connects to our existing trail. The current design concept, for this new trail, utilizes portions of the Railroad Highway shoulder, with other sections constructed off-road within the existing right of way.

Total Cost: \$357,638
Requested Amount: \$268,229 (75%)

21. Project Name: Clarinda Community Trail; Phase 1

Sponsor: City of Clarinda
Contact: Gary McClarnon, City Manager/Clerk
200 South 15th Street
Clarinda, IA 51632

Co-Sponsor: Clarinda Community Trail Committee
Contact: Randy Pullen
Trail Committee Chair
200 South 15th Street
Clarinda, IA 51632

Description: Construct a one mile long, eight foot wide, concrete trail for walking, running, and bicycling in order to create a livable community that offers healthy pathways that are convenient, reliable, safe and efficient. This goal will be accomplished by the construction of a mile long trail at the Lied Recreation Center and City Park in Clarinda, Iowa. By doing this we hope to raise the health rating of Page County, Iowa and create a healthy culture, programs and partnerships. Future plans include extending the trail to completely connect the Clarinda Community.

Total Cost: \$289,066
Requested Amount: \$100,000 (35%)

22. Project Name: Connecting Fort Madison! Phase I Bluff Road to Ivanhoe Park

Sponsor: City of Fort Madison
Contact: Byron Smith, City Manager
811 Avenue E
Fort Madison, IA 52627

Description: This project will be Phase I of the three phase Connecting Fort Madison! trail project being organized by the City of Fort Madison and the local trails group Promoting Outdoor Recreational Trails (PORT) of Fort Madison. Phase I of the project will connect an existing trail along Bluff Road to an existing trail in Ivanhoe Park via an approximately 3,000 foot long concrete 10 foot wide multi use path.

Total Cost: \$386,350
Requested Amount: \$289,763 (75%)

23. Project Name: Davis County Regional Trail: Phase 1

Sponsor: City of Bloomfield
Contact: Carol Ann Taylor, City Clerk
111 West Franklin Street
Bloomfield, IA 52537

Co-Sponsor: Davis County Trails Council
Contact: Jeremy Wilcox, Chairman
202 Parkview Drive
Bloomfield, IA 52537

Description: This project will develop a 0.3 mile section of paved trail on the north edge of Bloomfield. The trail will use 10' wide concrete and begin at the trailhead at Mutchler Community Center and travel south near the public swimming pool and Bloomfield City Park and ball fields. Phase I ends at Franklin Street south of the ball fields. Upon completion, the Davis County Regional Trail will be 1.5 miles long and end at the McGowen Recreation Area, Davis County's premiere park.

Total Cost: \$195,000
Requested Amount: \$145,000 (74%)

24. Project Name: Extension of Plum Creek Bike & Nature Trail to Split Rock Park

Sponsor: Chickasaw County Trail Committee
Contact: Bryan O'Day, Committee Chairman
151 W. Main Street
PO Box 318
Fredericksburg, IA 50630

Description: To extend the 4.5 mile trail that currently circles the City of Fredericksburg. By extending this trail, the users will be able to have a destination of Split Rock Park and those that use Split Rock Park will have a trail where they can bike, walk, and jog to Fredericksburg. This is just one step in connecting the Plum Creek Bike & Nature Trail to other areas.

Total Cost: \$1,038,102
Requested Amount: \$ 778,577 (75%)

25. Project Name: Fayette-Volga River Multi-Use Trail

Sponsor: Upper Iowa University
Contact: Andrew Wenthe, Vice President External Affairs
605 Washington Street
PO Box 1857
Fayette, IA 52142

Co Sponsor: City of Fayette
Contact: Christie Dennis, City Administrator/Clerk
11 South Main Street
PO Box 28
Fayette, IA 52142

Description: Upper Iowa University, the City of Fayette, and the IDNR Volga River State Recreation Area will partner to complete the construction of a 2.5 mile multi-use recreational trail connecting the City of Fayette with the IDNR Volga River State Recreation Area in Northeast Iowa. This trail was started in 2010 and has been completely graded. Currently over two miles have been paved, but due to challenges during construction, the trail was not completed. The final half mile requiring paving will connect 2.5 mile trail with 22 miles of existing trails in the Volga River State Recreation Area.

Total Cost: \$467,292
Requested Amount: \$350,469 (75%)

26. Project Name: Gay Lea Wilson Trail East Extension

Sponsor: City of Altoona
Contact: Vern Willey, Community Services Director
407 8th Street SE
Altoona, IA 50009

Co-Sponsor: City of Bondurant
Contact: Mark Arentsen, City Administrator
200 2nd Sreet NE
PO Box 37
Bondurant, IA 50035

Description: A 12' wide paved trail in total, extending approximately 4.9 miles from the existing trail near the intersection of 8th Avenue SE and 1st Street E in Altoona to the Chichaqua Valley Trail in Bondurant. This application includes construction of the Altoona portion and design and right of way acquisition for the portion in Bondurant from 62nd Avenue to Brick Street. Grade-separated crossings of I-80 U.S. 65 (Hubbell Avenue) utilize one barrel of existing triple box culverts under each roadway.

Total Cost: \$1,835,000
Requested Amount: \$1,135,000 (62%)

27. Project Name: Gay Lea Wilson Trail - East - Segment 3

Sponsor: City of Bondurant
Contact: Mark Arentsen, City Administrator
PO Box 37
200 2nd Street NE
Bondurant, IA 50035

Description: Total length is 4,500 ft. This project involves shared roadway pavement striping for 1,500 feet of Main Street and 3,000 feet of new 10' wide concrete trail on the 5th Street and Grant Street ROW. No property acquisitions are anticipated. Engineering design costs are funded entirely with City of Bondurant bond proceeds. The City has contracted with Veenstra & Kim for trail design. Design should be completed by fall, 2014. The City hopes to begin construction in Spring, 2015. This trail is Segment 3 of the City of Bondurant section of the Gay Lea Wilson East Trail - East. The Gay Lea Wilson Trail - East is a portion of a 31 mile loop which connects Bondurant, Altoona, Pleasant Hill, Polk County and Des Moines. It will also serve as a local trail to allow bicycle and pedestrian access to the new Brick Street Market and Cafe.

Total Cost: \$350,000
Requested Amount: \$262,500 (75%)

28. Project Name: Gear Avenue Trail - Phase I

Sponsor: City of West Burlington
Contact: Dan Gifford, City Administrator
122 Broadway
West Burlington, IA 52655

Description: This project will be for Phase 1 of the 2 phase Gear Avenue Trail project in West Burlington. The project will connect to the existing bicycle and pedestrian system that traverses through the City of West Burlington and the City of Burlington. It will connect from the west end of the existing trail system and run north along property adjacent to the regional medical center and community college. The trail will be a 10 foot wide concrete trail at a length of approximately 2,900 feet.

Total Cost: \$350,000
Requested Amount: \$262,500 (75%)

- 29. Project Name: Gypsum City Off Highway Vehicle Park**
- Sponsor:** Iowa DNR
Contact: David Downing, OHV Program Manager
Wallace Bldg.
502 East 9th Street
Des Moines, IA 50319
- Co Sponsor:** Webster County Improvement Corporation
Contact: Chad Schaeffer, City Engineer
819 1st Avenue South
Fort Dodge, IA 50501
- Description:** Phase 3 trail development and trail maintenance at the Gypsum City OHV Park.
- Total Cost:** \$265,559
Requested Amount: \$190,559 (72%)
- 30. Project Name: Heart of Iowa Nature Trail Phase 9 - Hard Surfacing Cambridge to Huxley**
- Sponsor:** Story County Conservation Board
Contact: Carol Williams, Special Projects Ranger
56461 180th Street
Ames, IA 50010
- Co Sponsor:** City of Huxley
Contact: Travis Bakken, Parks and Recreation Director
515 North Main Avenue
Huxley, IA 50124
- Description:** This grant would hard-surface the limestone portion of the Heart of Iowa Nature Trail from Water Street in Cambridge to Highway 69 in Huxley with concrete or asphalt to bring it to the same standards as other central Iowa trails. This is approximately 3.8 miles. The surface would be 10 feet wide, and accommodations will be made to keep the double-wide trail open to equestrians and snowmobiles.
- Total Cost:** \$871,705
Requested Amount: \$650,000 (75%)

31. Project Name: Heritage Trail

Sponsor: Dubuque County Conservation Board
Contact: Brian Preston, Executive Director
13606 Swiss Valley Road
Peosta, IA 52068

Description: The Heritage Trail Hogan Branch Bridge is a 160' timber trestle railroad deteriorating due to the age of the structure. This project will replace the aging bridge with a modern concrete bridge to serve the recreational demand on one of Iowa's most scenic recreational trails. The Heritage Trail serves as the backbone of the trail system in Dubuque County and will be severed without immediate replacement of this bridge.

Total Cost: \$309,107
Requested Amount: \$230,000 (74%)

32. Project Name: High Trestle Trail - SW Ordinance Road Connection

Sponsor: City of Ankeny
Contact: Nick Lenox, Director of Parks and Recreation
210 South Ankeny Boulevard
Ankeny, IA 50023

Description: Extension of the High Trestle Trail south beginning at West 1st Street and continuing the 10-foot wide multi-use concrete trail in a southbound direction 0.70 miles along railroad corridor to Ordinance Road; project includes pedestrian signals at West 1st Street.

Total Cost: \$394,000
Requested Amount: \$150,000 (38%)

33. Project Name: Hoover Nature Trail Construction - Ely to Johnson County Line

Sponsor: Linn County Conservation Board
Contact: Dan L. Biechler, Executive Director
10260 Morris Hills Road
Toddville, IA 52341

Co-Sponsor: City of Ely
Contact: Aaron Anderson
PO Box 248
1570 Rowley Street
Ely, IA 52227

Description: Construct one mile of trail from Ely City Hall south to the Linn-Johnson County line. Trail will be 10' wide and hard surfaced. Half of the trail is within Ely city limits while the other half is in Linn county.

Total Cost: \$950,000
Requested Amount: \$700,000 (74%)

34. Project Name: Iowa Great Lakes Connection Trail Phase 2

Sponsor: City of Spencer
Contact: Delray Bredehoeft, Parks and Recreation Director
418 2nd Avenue West
Spencer, IA 51301

Description: The proposed project will connect the Spencer Recreation Trail to the Dickinson County Recreational Trail System. The proposed project will be 2.2 miles in length and connect the Phase I portion of the project to the north city limits of Spencer. It will be constructed on a city owned railroad line that has been abandoned and has been identified as a future recreational trail.

Total Cost: \$749,000
Requested Amount: \$561,750 (75%)

35. Project Name: Iowa River Trail - Benton Street to Sturgis Ferry Park

Sponsor: City of Iowa City
Contact: Ron Knoche, City Engineer
410 East Washington Street
Iowa City, IA 52240

Description: This segment of the Iowa River Trail will provide access to South Iowa City, the University of Iowa campus, and downtown Iowa City, as well as destinations and parks along the entire 17-mile trail. The total length of the trail, including underpass below Highway 6, will be approximately 3,307 feet.

Total Cost: \$1,948,000
Requested Amount: \$ 500,000 (26%)

36. Project Name: Iowa River Trail - Coralville Section

Sponsor: City of Coralville
Contact: Sherri Proud, Director of Parks and Recreation
1506 8th Street
Coralville, IA 52241

Description: This application is for a section of the Iowa River Trail segment in Coralville that begins on the north side of Iowa City along Dubuque Street and ends on the south side of Iowa City at Terry Trueblood Recreation Area for a total of 17.4 miles. This application is for a section of trail that is 2,170 linear feet long and includes a bridge over Clear Creek. It will connect the recently completed segment of the Iowa River Trail that extends across the Iowa River from the Iowa City Peninsula neighborhood and runs south along the Coralville riverfront ending at Clear Creek. The trail connects at this point to the Clear Creek Trail going west through the southern border of Coralville about 5.2 miles which is anticipated to be completed to the westerly neighbor of Tiffin by 2017.

Total Cost: \$795,067
Requested Amount: \$596,300 (75%)

37. Project Name: Jones Pasture Trail

Sponsor: Dickinson County Trails Board
Contact: Jean Martin, Executive Director
PO Box 304
Okoboji, IA 51355

Description: The objective of this 5,440 foot trail is to extend the existing trail north on the east shore of Big Spirit Lake to reach the DNR's Angler's Bay Wildlife Management Area (a future trail will be built through the beautiful WMA) as well as to create connectivity to the entire Iowa Great Lakes Trail system through the connection to the East Okoboji Slough and new Pioneer Beach Road Trails at the south end of Big Spirit Lake. The new trail will also provide greater safety to users in the area, avoiding the use of a busy county blacktop road.

Total Cost: \$474,944
Requested Amount: \$356,208 (75%)

38. Project Name: Lake Belva Deer Area Trail Segment

Sponsor: Keokuk County
Contact: Michael Berg, Chairman
Courthouse, 101 South Main Street
Sigourney, IA 52591

Co Sponsor: Keokuk County Highway Department
Contact: Andrew J. McGuire, P.E., County Engineer
Courthouse - 101 South Main Street
Sigourney, IA 52591

Description: This project will construct a 2.75-mile trail in Keokuk County, Iowa northeast of Sigourney. The project will connect an existing trail head to Keokuk County's Belva Deer park, a premiere park and campground with a 260-acre lake. The land acquisition, environmental review, and rough grading are completed for this project. This project includes installation of structures to improve drainage; finish grading to improve accessibility and provide erosion control; granular surfacing; and placement of enhancements including tree and prairie grass plantings, benches, kiosks, and signage.

Total Cost: \$585,000
Requested Amount: \$438,750 (75%)

- 39. Project Name: Liberty Trail**
- Sponsor:** City of Independence
Contact: Jon Holland, Councilman
331 1st Street E
Independence, IA 50644
- Description:** This application provides for hard-surfacing 1.28 miles of the Liberty Trail in the western portion of Independence. The proposed design is an 8' wide, 5" thick PCC trail with 2' shoulders.
- Total Cost:** \$200,608
Requested Amount: \$150,546 (75%)
- 40. Project Name: Mt. Pleasant City-Wide Trail Network: Crossroads Trail Connection**
- Sponsor:** City of Mount Pleasant
Contact: Brent Schleisman, City Administrator
220 West Monroe
Mount Pleasant, IA 52641
- Co-Sponsor:** Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission
Contact: Travis Kraus, Regional Planner
211 N. Gear Avenue, Suite 100
West Burlington, IA 52655
- Description:** The City of Mount Pleasant seeks grant assistance to complete an integral link of the city-wide trail network. The Crossroads Trail Connection, a 0.62 mile section along E. Linden Drive and S. Iris Street, completes a missing link in the existing network, connects residents to the "north" and "south" parts of town, and greatly increases opportunities and access for recreation and commerce in the community. The proposed project is also important to economic development potential of the adjacent Crossroads Business Park.
- Total Cost:** \$402,505
Requested Amount: \$301,879 (75%)

41. Project Name: Neal Smith Trail Renovation and Widening

Sponsor: City of Des Moines Park and Recreation
Contact: Mindy S. Moore, Park Planner II
3226 University Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50311

Description: This project is to re-surface and widen to 12 feet a two-mile segment of the Neal Smith Trail between Kiwanis Nature Island and northern city limits. This section of trail was originally constructed in 1982 and has deteriorated over the years while increasing in popularity. The overall 24.7-mile Neal Smith Trail reaches from Big Creek State Park on the north to the John Pat Dorrian Trail and downtown Des Moines on the south, establishing the north-south spine of the 550-mile Central Iowa Trail System.

Total Cost: \$800,000
Requested Amount: \$350,000 (44%)

42. Project Name: Nishna Loop Pedestrian Trail

Sponsor: City of Carson
Contact: Brianne Duede, City Clerk
316 S. Commercial Street, Box 218
Carson, IA 51525

Description: Carson proposes construction a 0.65 mile trail with in the City's existing park system. This would be the first trail within the community while connecting areas of the community cut off by a river and Hwy 92. It will later extend to neighboring communities once it can connect to the Pottawattamie County Wide Trail.

Total Cost: \$474,237
Requested Amount: \$297,781 (63%)

43. Project Name: North Park Trail Development

Sponsor: City of Asbury
Contact: Jason Thieme, Parks and Recreation Director
5080 Asbury Road
Asbury, IA 52002

Description: The North Park Trail Development will be focused on the construction of a new trail, which will be integral in the comprehensive trail network in the City of Asbury. This trail will be approximately 1.2 miles and directly connect four subdivisions to a new park development. In addition the plans for the new park development include a variety of amenities, including; a splash pad, rock climbing structures, playground areas, athletic fields ad pavilions. The trail constructed will be an 8 foot wide paved surface to allow for walking, running and biking.

Total Cost: \$114,608
Requested Amount: \$ 85,956 (75%)

44. Project Name: Norwalk Phase One W. North Ave Trail Connection

Sponsor: City of Norwalk
Contact: Josh Heggen, Community Development Director
705 North Avenue
Norwalk, IA 50211

Description: This trail connection brings together two existing trail sections and future trail plans. The trail is approximately 2,522 feet long. The trail will be eight feet wide.

Total Cost: \$169,103
Requested Amount: \$126,103 (75%)

45. Project Name: Q-Pond Park Trail System

Sponsor: City of Osceola
Contact: Ty Wheeler, City Administrator
115 N. Fillmore
Osceola, IA 50213

Co-Sponsor: Osceola Chamber Main Street
Contact: Derek Lumsden, Executive Director
115 E. Washington Street
PO Box 425
Osceola, IA 50213

Description: This project has three separate phases: A gravel pathway has been started and is being funded locally and slated to be complete by December 2014. A second phase is being funded through local funds and a REAP Grant application for start and completion in 2015. The third phase, as shown in this grant application, will finish the trail system in the park with work starting spring 2015 and complete by December 2015.

Total Cost: \$800,000
Requested Amount: \$400,000 (50%)

46. Project Name: Raccoon River Valley Trail Paved Road Crossings

Sponsor: Guthrie County Conservation Board
Contact: Joe Hanner, Conservation Director
206 W. South Street
Panora, IA 50216

Description: The proposed project would hard surface the 14 gravel road crossings along the Raccoon River Valley Trail in Guthrie County which covers a distance of 18 miles.

Total Cost: \$130,000
Requested Amount: \$ 97,500 (75%)

47. Project Name: Raccoon River Valley Trail to High Trestle Trail Connector

Sponsor: Dallas County Conservation Board
Contact: Mike Wallace, Director
14581 K Avenue
Perry, IA 50220

Description: This project consists of the design, acquisition, and construction of a trail connection that will close a gap and complete a "missing link" between two major trail system attractions in central Iowa (the Raccoon River Valley Trail and the High Trestle Trail). This project will include paving a hard surface multi-use recreational trail between Perry and Woodward (total approximately nine miles). The nine mile trail connection will be 10 foot wide, with 2 foot wide unpaved shoulders.

Total Cost: \$4,689,000
Requested Amount: \$3,516,750 (75%)

48. Project Name: River Forest Road Levee Bike Trail

Sponsor: City of Evansdale
Contact: Becky Walters, City Clerk
123 North Evans Road
Evansdale, IA 50707

Description: The proposed project is a safe, scenic 1.5 mile trail along the top of the Cedar River levee for bicyclists, pedestrians, and other non-motorized recreational trail users. The proposed project is a critical link in the Cedar Valley Trail network consisting of 105-mile hard-surfaced trail and would connect to the 52 continuous miles of the Cedar Valley Nature Trail. The trail would extend from the existing trail along the Cedar River at Lafayette Rd & Randall Ave and follow the levee to Park Road (near the entrance of Deerwood Park & Campground), then turn east and tie in with the existing trail on Gilbert Dr. The proposed trail design is a 10' wide, 5" thick PCC trail with 2' shoulders.

Total Cost: \$562,000
Requested Amount: \$203,000 (36%)

49. Project Name: Rolling Prairie Trail - Allison to Bristow

Sponsor: Butler County Conservation Board
Contact: Mike Miner, Director
28727 Timber Road
Clarksville, IA 50619

Description: Utilizing the former Union Pacific Railroad corridor, the Rolling Prairie Trail is an emerging trail that will connect the City of Coulter in Franklin County to the City of Oelwein in Fayette County, encompassing over 80 miles of trail. This application provides for paving 5.45 miles of trail from the City of Allison west to the City of Bristow. The proposed segment will consist of a 10' wide, 5" thick PCC surface with 2' granular shoulders.

Total Cost: \$1,441,094
Requested Amount: \$ 750,000 (52%)

50. Project Name: Sauk Rail Trail - Swan Lake Segment Resurfacing

Sponsor: Carroll County Conservation Board
Contact: Jason Christensen, Conservation Director
22676 Swan Lake Drive
Carroll, IA 51401

Description: The proposed project would whitetop resurface the Sauk Rail Trail around Swan Lake State Park. This trail segment is 3.8 miles and is the south end of the 26 mile Sauk Trail that connects Swan Lake State Park near Carroll and Black Hawk Lake State Park at Lake View.

Total Cost: \$618,000
Requested Amount: \$268,000 (43%)

51. Project Name: Scotch Ridge Nature Trail

Sponsor: City of Carlisle
Contact: Andy Lent, City Administrator
195 North First Street
Carlisle, IA 50047

Description: Connection from the Summerset Trail along 165th Place to the Scotch Ridge Nature Park at Hwy 5 and Gateway Drive. Trail passes through Carlisle Aquatic Center, Lindheart Park, Danamere Farms Conservation Community, Carlisle Middle School, Danamere Farms, Natural area of the Warren Property, across the North River, and through the Scotch Ridge Nature Park. Total length 15,121 feet = 2.86 miles.

Total Cost: \$3,409,525
Requested Amount: \$ 750,000 (22%)

52. Project Name: Trail Construction and Paving - Phase 4 - Cedar Valley Nature Trail

Sponsor: Linn County Conservation Board
Contact: Dan L. Biechler, Executive Director
10260 Morris Hills Road
Toddville, IA 52341

Description: Construction and surfacing (paving) of approximately 3.25 miles (more or less) of the Cedar Valley Nature Trail (from Schultz Road in rural Linn County to the Central City Road in Center Point). Work includes re-establishing drainage, clearing and grubbing, grading, placement of rock base material, surfacing (paving) and native grass seeding and planting trees and shrubs. The Cedar Valley Nature Trail is part of the American Discovery Trail (ADT) and part of the regional trail connections for Eastern Iowa.

Total Cost: \$1,100,000
Requested Amount: \$ 750,000 (68%)

- 53. Project Name:** Turkey River Recreational Corridor- Elgin to Gilbertson Park and the Turkey River
- Sponsor:** Fayette County Conservation Board
Contact: Rod Marlatt
18673 Lane Road
Fayette, IA 52142
- Description:** This project will construct 1) 6,600 linear feet of 8'x6" PCC recreational trail 2) A 343'x14'8" pretension prestressed beam pedestrian bridge over the Turkey River. The project will extend the Turkey River Recreational Corridor Trail, allowing residents and visitors to move freely and safely in the Turkey River Corridor between Elgin, Gilbertson Park and between four Turkey River Water Trail accesses. It will connect to three other trails in the TRRC including a 4.8 mile paved trail from Elgin to Clermont and the Nims Bridge, 2.5 miles of trail in Clermont and 7 miles of trails in Gilbertson Park.
- Total Cost:** \$1,136,000
Requested Amount: \$ 852,000 (75%)
- 54. Project Name:** Underwood Trail - Railroad Hwy
- Sponsor:** City of Underwood
Contact: Kelly Groskurth
PO Box 40
218 2nd Street
Underwood, IA 51576
- Co Sponsor:** Pottawattamie County Trail Board
Contact: Brian Shea
102 West Florence Street
Crescent, IA 51526
- Description:** The Underwood Trail-Railroad Hwy project will provide a link and public access to the county-wide trail system that is planned from Council Bluffs to Neola. The project will be about 1.6 miles in length and will provide our local residents a safe way to walk/ride along the highway. Most importantly Underwood's project will connect riders to miles of trail systems providing for a healthier community.
- Total Cost:** \$338,963
Requested Amount: \$254,222 (75%)

55. Project Name: US 63 Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations

Sponsor: City of Waterloo
Contact: Jeff Bales, Associate Engineer
715 Mulberry Street
Waterloo, IA 50703

Description: This project is for a 0.9 mile long hard-surface trail from Parker Street to Franklin Street to be included as part of Phase Two of the US 63 Reconstruction Project, which includes an overpass at the Chicago Central Railroad line. The proposed design for the ground-level portions of this trail are 10' wide with a 5" PCC surface and 4" granular subbase, offset at least one foot from US 63. The design along the overpass includes a 3' traffic barrier with handrail, an 8' chain link fence, and a 12" reinforced concrete deck.

Total Cost: \$1,365,848
Requested Amount: \$ 750,000 (55%)

56. Project Name: Walnut Creek Trail - 156th Street to Waterford Road

Sponsor: City of Urbandale
Contact: Jan Herke, Director of Parks and Recreation
3600 86th Street
Urbandale, IA 50322

Description: This 2,700 ft. long concrete trail will be 10 feet wide and will connect to the trail coming from under 156th Street just north of Meredith Drive at the south, and continue north along Walnut Creek through Waterford Park, and connect up to Waterford Road on the north. This trail will eventually connect to the City of Grimes and Dallas Center. There will be a bridge constructed as part of this trail project, as well as a 15 car trailhead parking lot. This trail will also connect to the north/south regional trail spine which comes through the 200 acre Walnut Creek Regional Park and Walnut Trace Park on the south (2014 project).

Total Cost: \$553,800
Requested Amount: \$140,000 (25%)

57. Project Name: Waukee Trailhead Public Art and Amenities

Sponsor: City of Waukee
Contact: Matt Jermier, Director of Parks and Recreation
1205 6th Street
Waukee, IA 50263

Co Sponsor: Waukee Trailhead Public Art Project Committee
Contact: Jim Miller, Project Committee Chair
505 Market Street, Suite No. 300
West Des Moines, IA 50266

Description: The Waukee Trailhead Public Art and Amenities Project is part of a regional initiative to construct significant public art structures and related visitor support amenities along the Raccoon River Valley Trail (RRVT) for the purpose of enhancing the recreational/health, cultural and economic benefits to be derived from the RRVT system. The comprehensive project design includes a 350' long lighted main trellis structure constructed over the existing trail path, a similarly designed trailhead shelter/plaza structure 23 lighted periphery bollards, parking lot surfacing a 300' trail/walkway extension, signage, landscaping and a solar energy system to operate the site's integrated LED night lighting. The site is located at the southern gateway to the 80 mile RRVT and is linked to Waukee's city trail system as well as the greater Des Moines regional trails system. The Waukee trailhead is an important regional access point for the High Trestle Trail and Bridge for trail users coming from the south and Des Moines metro area.

Total Cost: \$459,705
Requested Amount: \$344,779 (75%)