

Statewide Transportation Alternatives Set-aside Program

Funding Recommendation

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- Current version of program in existence since 1991
- Majority of funding is distributed to Iowa's MPOs and RPAs, but \$5 million reserved for statewide projects annually with 20% target for Safe Routes to School projects
- Available to a variety of project sponsors but most applicants are cities and counties

Eligible Activities

- On-road and off-road non-motorized trail facilities, safe routes for non-drivers, conversion of abandoned rail corridors for trails, preservation/rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities among others
- Federal Recreational Trails Program eligible activities
- Infrastructure-related or non-infrastructure related Safe Routes to School Projects
- Scenic Byways

Project Evaluation Criteria

Criteria	Points
Statewide or multi-regional impact of the project	25
Connectivity and Completion of Trail Linkages	15
Alignment with Local, Regional, or Statewide Planning Documents	15
Federal-aid Project Development Process, Understanding & Capacity	10
Contribution Toward Safety for All Transportation Modes	10
Enhancement of Statewide Tourism Benefits	10
Leverage of other funding sources	10
Need for the proposed project	10
Addresses high-need areas	10
Improve accessibility	5
Long-term maintenance plan	5
Project readiness	5
MAXIMUM POINTS	130

Available Funding and Application Summary

Available Funding:

FY2026 Funding Remaining	\$4,976,134
Underruns from closed projects	\$1,537,059
Total Funding Available	\$6,513,193

Application Summary:

Total number of projects:	16
Total project costs	\$29,506,036
Total amount requested	\$18,603,430

Applications Recommended

PROJECT NAME	SPONSOR	SCORE	TOTAL PROJECT COST	REQUESTED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)
<u>Iowa River's Edge Trail Bridges & Great American Rail Trail Connector</u>	Marshalltown	113	\$3,353,000	\$2,000,000 (60%)	\$2,000,000 (60%)
<u>Waukee Regional Trail Connection and Safety Improvements Project</u>	Waukee	112	\$5,588,000	\$2,000,000 (36%)	\$2,000,000 (36%)
<u>Emmons Street Pedestrian Bridge over I-380</u>	Hiawatha	111	\$1,056,000	\$792,000 (75%)	\$792,000 (75%)

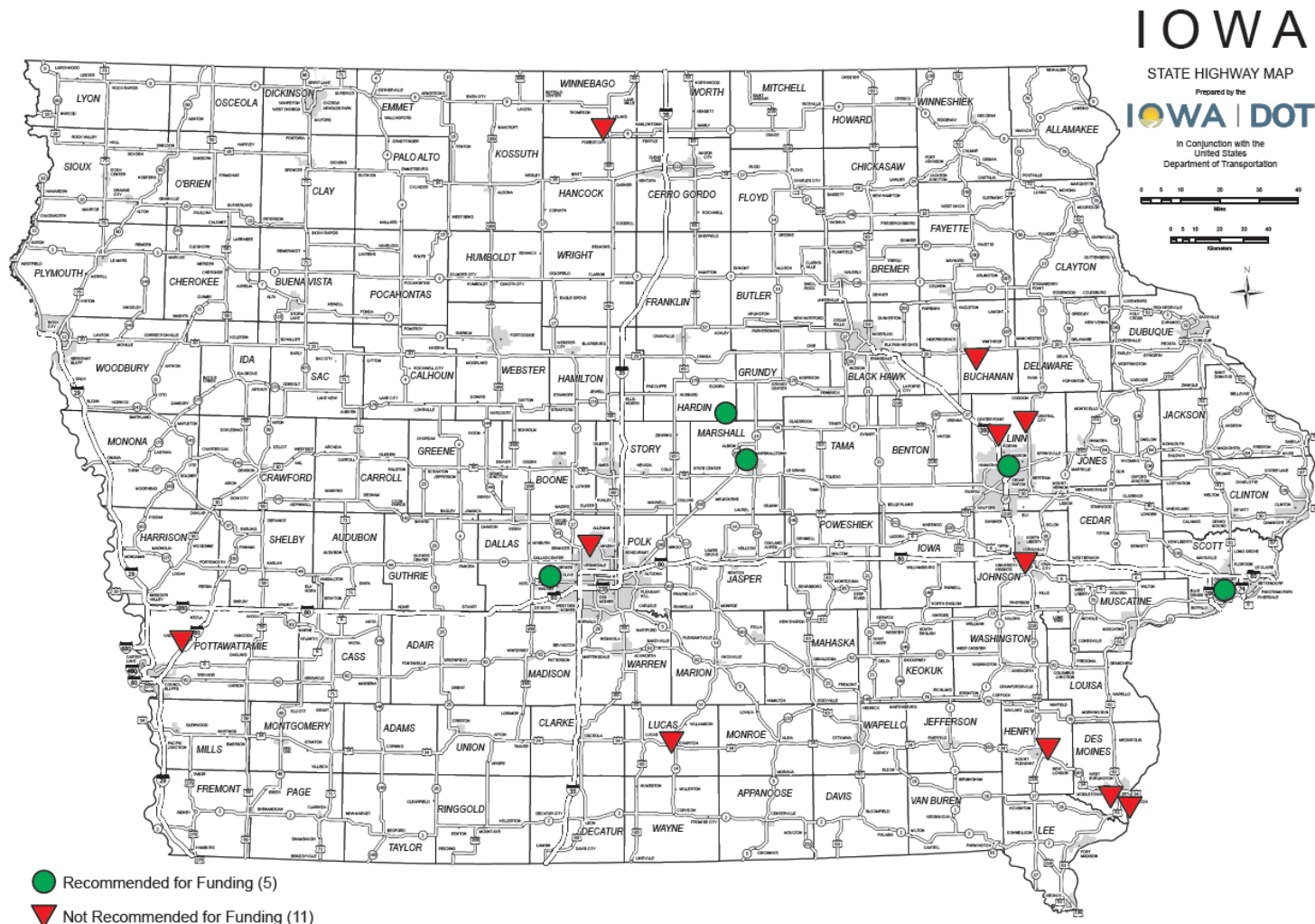
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PROJECT NAME	SPONSOR	SCORE	TOTAL PROJECT COST	REQUESTED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)
<u>Duck Creek Trail Underpass at Division Street</u>	Davenport	107	\$256,500	\$205,200 (80%)	\$205,200 (80%)
<u>Iowa River's Edge Trail Paving from Gifford to Union</u>	Hardin County	103	\$1,482,000	\$1,185,600 (80%)	\$1,185,600 (80%)

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Applications Received & Recommended



Thank you!

Questions?



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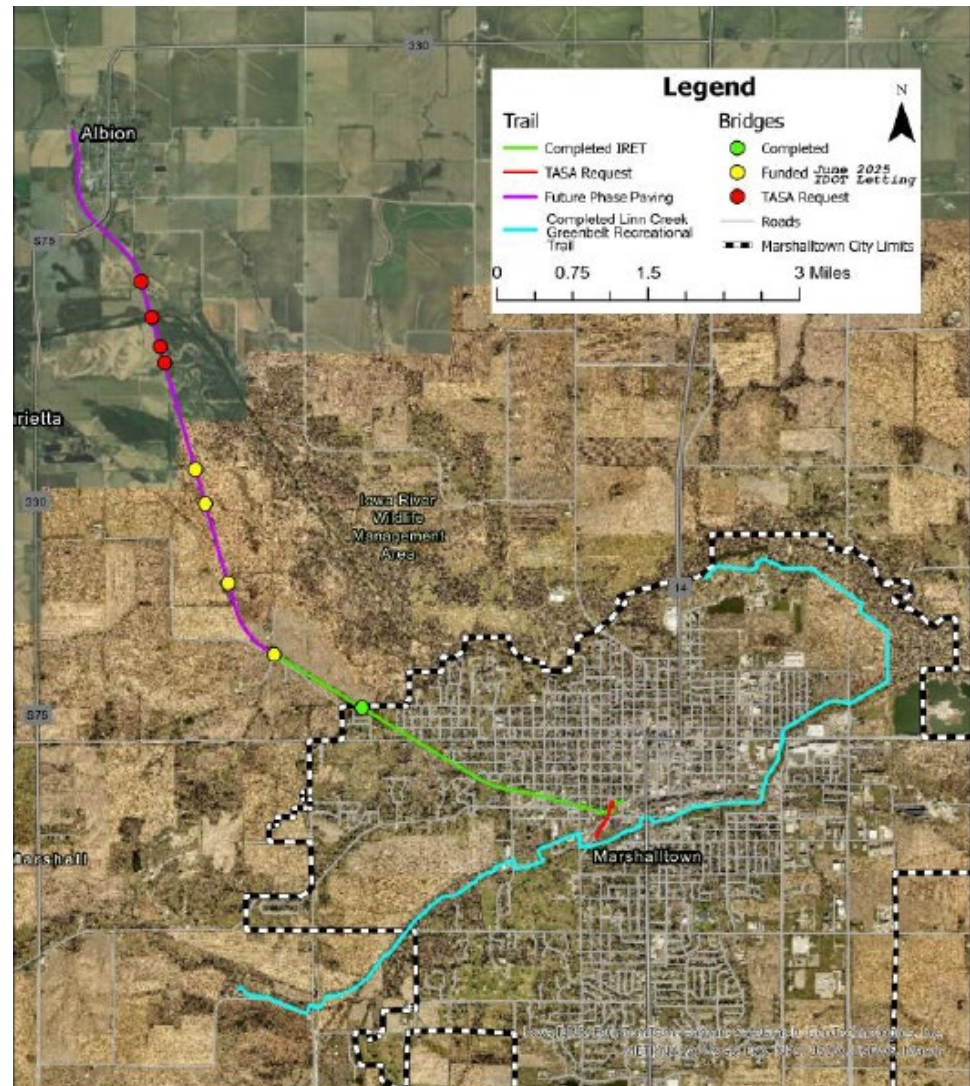


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Iowa River's Edge Trail Bridges & Great American Rail Trail Connector (Marshalltown)

This project rehabilitates three and replaces one existing rail bridge providing a safe 2.7 mile unimproved segment of the Iowa River's Edge Trail north to Albion & constructs a 0.3-mile trail connection to the Linn Creek Greenbelt Trail in Marshalltown.

Total Cost: \$3,353,000
Requested: \$2,000,000 (60%)



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Waukee Regional Trail Connection & Safety Improvements Project (Waukee)

This project will construct 0.84 mile of trail between the Raccoon River Valley Trail and the Heart of the Warrior Trail including trail underpasses at U.S. 6 and NW 10th Street in Waukee.

Total Cost: \$5,588,000
Requested: \$2,000,000 (36%)

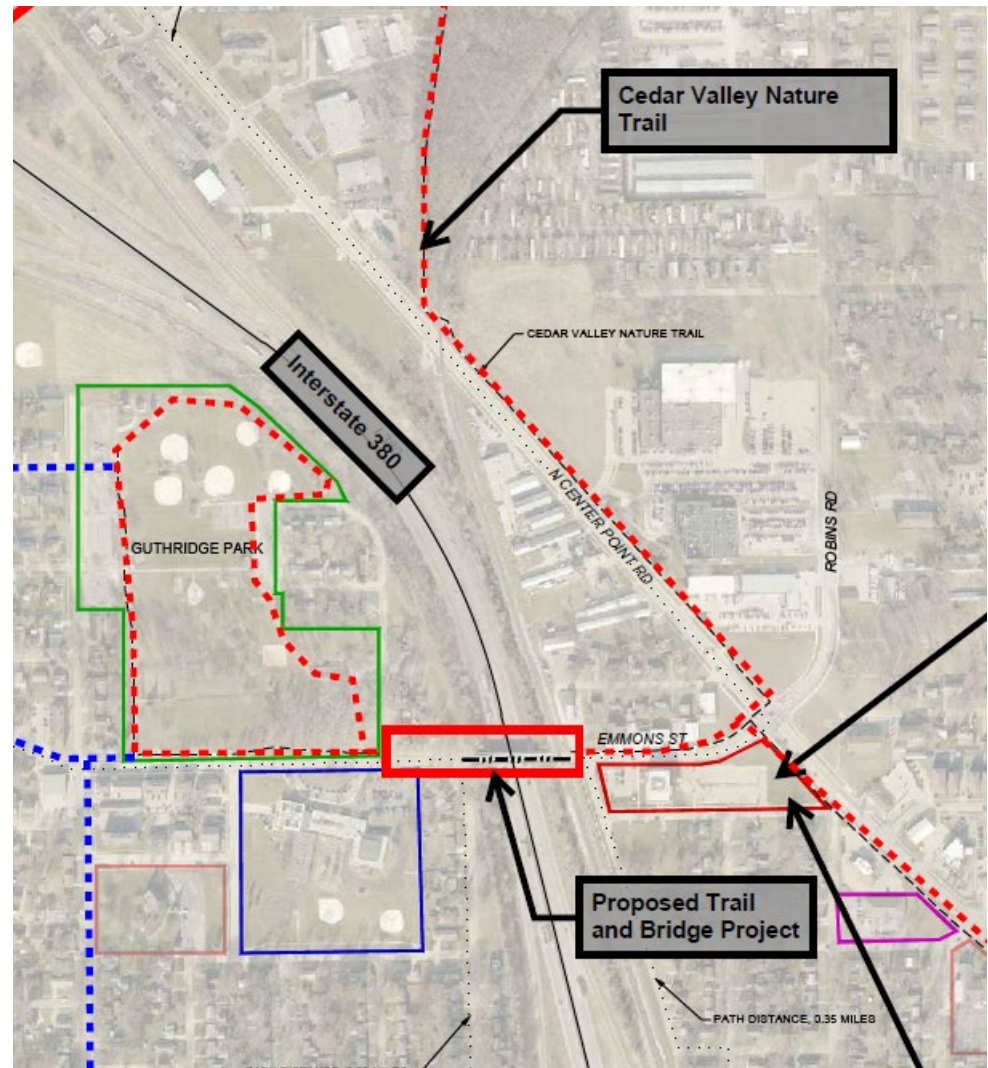


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Emmons Street Pedestrian Bridge over I-380 (Hiawatha)

The project will construct 400-foot of trail and a pedestrian trail bridge over I-380 connecting the Emmons Street Trail and Guthridge Park and providing a route for west Hiawatha to access the 52-mile Cedar Valley Nature Trail.

Total Cost: \$1,056,000
Requested: \$792,000 (75%)



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This project will replace an at-grade crossing on a four-lane arterial roadway with a 425-foot trail underpass of Duck Creek Trail at Division Street.

Total Cost: \$256,500
Requested: \$205,200 (80%)

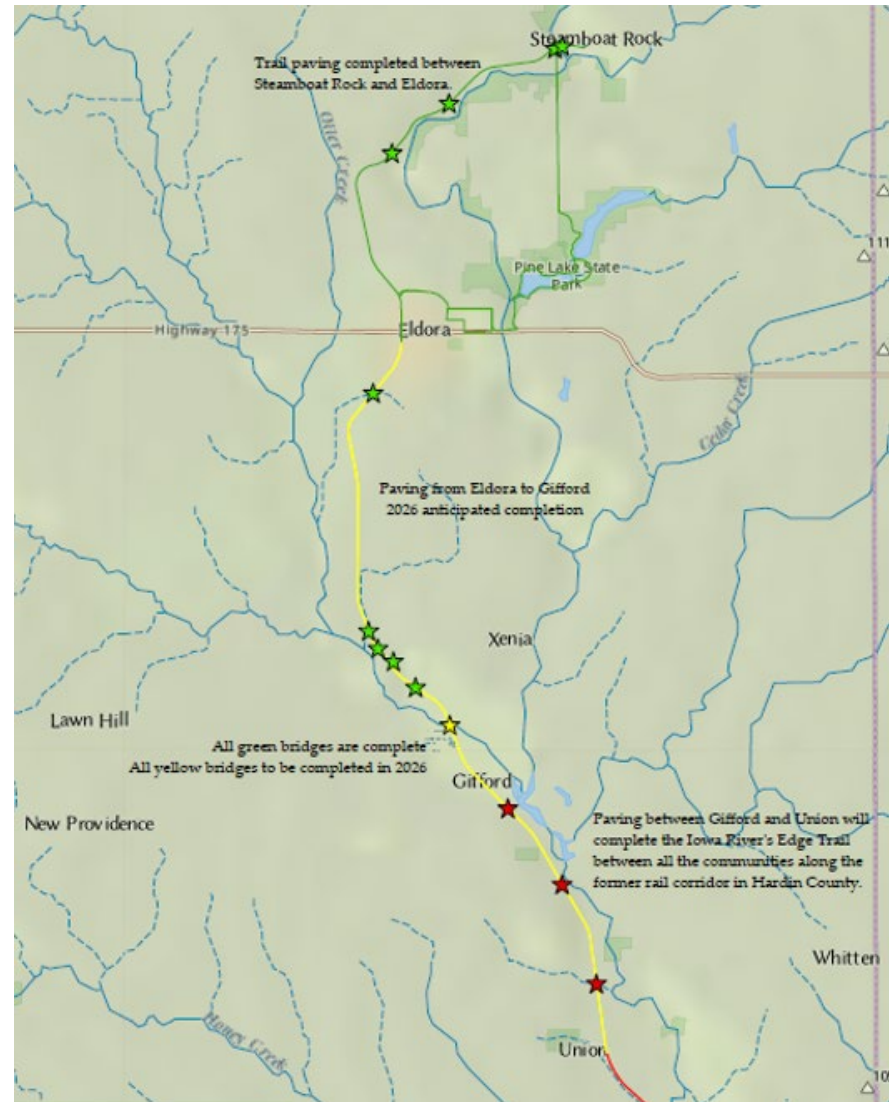


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Iowa River's Edge Trail Paving from Gifford to Union (Hardin County)

This project will pave 3.6 miles of the Iowa River's Edge Trail from Gifford to Union to create a nearly 14-mile continuous paved trail south from Steamboat Rock.

Total Cost: \$1,482,000
Requested: \$1,185,600 (80%)



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NW 94th Avenue Trail Connection to the Neal Smith Trail	Polk County Conservation Board	102	\$831,000	\$664,800 (80%)	\$0 (0%)
Great American Rail Trail - Weston to Underwood	Pottawattamie County Conservation Board	100	\$4,224,000	\$2,000,000 (47%)	\$0 (0%)
Summer Street- Dankwardt Park Connector Trail	Burlington	99	\$942,000	\$750,000 (80%)	\$0 (0%)
Wapsi Bluff Trail – Central City, Iowa	Linn County Conservation Board	96	\$782,623	\$375,000 (48%)	\$0 (0%)

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Washington-Grand Connector Trail	Mount Pleasant	92	\$1,647,100	\$1,317,000 (80%)	\$0 (0%)
Iowa River Trail – West Bank Project	Iowa City	91	\$3,600,000	\$2,880,000 (80%)	\$0 (0%)
Tim Coffey Trail – Phase 2C	Forest City	90	\$500,000	\$400,000 (80%)	\$0 (0%)

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Taylors Ford Bridge Rehabilitation	Buchanan County Secondary Roads	85	\$2,244,275	\$1,795,000 (80%)	\$0 (0%)
Agency Road Trail	West Burlington	84	\$2,351,000	\$1,800,000 (77%)	\$0 (0%)
ADA Compliant Sidewalk Project – City Segment	Chariton	77	\$48,538	\$38,830 (80%)	\$0 (0%)

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Morgan Creek Trail, Cedar River Bridge Plans	Linn County Conservation Board	55	\$600,000	\$400,000 (67%)	\$0 (0%)

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