

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER**

Division/Bureau/Office Planning, Programming and Modal Division
Office of Systems Planning Order No. _____
 Submitted by Craig Markley Phone No. 515-239-1027 Meeting Date October 11, 2016
 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.

East Blue Creek Bridge Replacement Along Cedar Valley Nature Trail (Linn and Black Hawk County Conservation Boards)	\$ 250,000
Extension of Felderman Trail (Bellevue and Iowa Department of Natural Resources)	\$ 300,000
Interstate 29 Riverfront Trail Connection (Sioux City)	\$ 650,000
Iowa River Trail – Marshalltown to South Side of Iowa River (Marshalltown)	\$ 650,000
Rolling Prairie Trail – Allison to Bristow (Butler County Conservation Board)	\$ 664,678
 Total	 \$2,514,678

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

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

COMMISSION ACTION:			Aye	Vote Nay	Pass
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Division Director	Legal	State Director			

STATE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM

Application Summary and Funding Proposal

July 2016 FUNDING CYCLE

September 6, 2016

July 2016 Funding Summary

Available Funding

- **FY 2017 appropriation: \$2,500,000**
- **Additional Funding available due to project close out: \$14,678**

Total State Recreational Trails Funds Available = \$2,514,678

Application Summary

Total number of recreational trail applications: 36

Total of recreational trail project costs: \$40,364,568

Total of recreational trail project requested amount: \$19,464,735

Recommendation Summary

Total amount awarded: \$2,514,678

FUNDING PROPOSAL
Staff Recommends Projects for State Recreational Trails Funding Approval

No.	Project Name	Grant	Cumulative
1.	East Blue Creek Bridge Replacement along Cedar Valley Nature Trail (Linn and Black Hawk County Conservation Boards)	\$250,000	\$ 250,000
2.	Extension of Felderman Trail (Bellevue and Iowa DNR)	\$300,000	\$ 550,000
3.	Interstate 29 Riverfront Trail Connection (Sioux City)	\$650,000	\$1,200,000
4.	Iowa River Trail - Marshalltown to South Side of Iowa River (Marshalltown)	\$650,000	\$1,850,000
5.	Rolling Prairie Trail - Allison to Bristow (Butler County Conservation Board)	\$664,678	\$2,514,678
6.	Ankeny Market & Pavilion (Ankeny)		
7.	Cedar Valley Nature Trail Realignment (Black Hawk County Conservation Board)		
8.	Cloie Creek Park Recreational Trail Project (Asbury and Tri-State Mountain Bike Riders)		
9.	Connecting Fort Madison! - Phase 2 Middle School Connector (Fort Madison)		
10.	Crossroads Trail Connection - Iris Street and Linden Drive (Mount Pleasant)		
11.	Des Moines River Trail Phase 2 (Des Moines)		
12.	Duck Creek Park Shared Use Path (Davenport)		
13.	Dyersville Park Connection; Westside Park to Candy Cane Park (Dyersville)		
14.	Extension of Riverview Trail to Spruce Creek Park (Jackson County Conservation)		
15.	Fayette Volga River Multi-Use Trail (Upper Iowa University and Fayette)		
16.	First Bridge (River Action, Inc.)		
17.	Five Island Trail (Palo Alto County Conservation Board and Five Island Trail Committee)		
18.	Gay Lea Wilson Trail (Bondurant)		
19.	Hardin County: Iowa River Trail Phase 2 (Hardin County)		
20.	Hoover Trail – “The Missing Link” Phase 2 (Johnson County Conservation Board)		
21.	Hurstville Trail (Friends of Jackson County Conservation and Jackson County)		
22.	Iowa DNR AmeriCorps Trails Crew (Iowa Department of Natural Resources)		
23.	Iowa Great Lakes Connection Trail (Clay County and Spencer)		
24.	Iowa River Trail - Coralville Section (Coralville)		
25.	Jones Pasture Trail (Dickinson County Trails Board)		
26.	Lake Belva Deer Area Phase 3 (Keokuk County and Keokuk County Highway Department)		
27.	Louisa County Fairground Trailhead and Connection to the Hoover Nature Trail (Louisa County Conservation Board and Louisa County Trails Council)		
28.	Mark C. Ackelson Trail, Phase 3 (Polk County Conservation Board)		
29.	Mehaffey Bridge Road Separated Trail (Johnson County Secondary Roads)		

30. MRT: Clayton County - Buck Creek to Marina Road (Clayton County)
31. Paul Skeffington Memorial Trails Phase III (DeWitt)
32. Pleasant Hill Youngstown Trail, Phase 2 (Pleasant Hill)
33. Raccoon River Valley Trail to High Trestle Trail "Connector" Acquisition and Phase I Construction (Dallas County Conservation Board)
34. Sheldon Crossing Trail (Sheldon)
35. Underwood Trail - Railroad Highway (Underwood and Pottawattamie County Trail Board)
36. Wapsipinicon Trail (Jones County and Anamosa)

1. **Project Name:** East Blue Creek Bridge Replacement along Cedar Valley Nature Trail (American Discovery Trail)

Sponsor: Linn County Conservation Board
Contact: Randy Burke, Planner
10260 Morris Hill Rd.
Toddville, IA 52341

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

Description: Replace existing wood bridge structure on the Cedar Valley Nature Trail. The existing bridge is 140' x 7'8." The structure has two wood abutments and nine wood piling piers with 12 x 12 wood caps and two triple 8 x 16 wood stringers with railroad ties on top and a top deck of treated 2 x 6's on a 45-degree angle. The railings are currently 54" tall with 4 x 4 posts and 2 x 4 rails. The current structure will be replaced with either a steel frame/concrete deck/clear span structure or a concrete beam/concrete deck single pier structure.

Total Cost: \$600,000
Requested Amount: \$250,000 (42%)

2. **Project Name:** Extension of Felderman Trail

Sponsor: City of Bellevue
Contact: Louis Herrig, City Adminstator
106 North Third St
Bellevue, IA 52031

Co Sponsor: Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Contact: Scot Michelson, Northeast Iowa District Park Supervisor
909 W. Main Street #4
Manchester IA 52067

Description: The Extension of Felderman Trail project consists of connecting the existing trail loop in Felderman Park with the Rivervue Trail along the Mississippi River and the Quarry Trail in Bellevue State Park(as well as adjacent water trails). The project will entail right-of-way acquisition along Mill Creek, erection of a pedestrian/bicycle bridge over Mill Creek (landing in Bellevue State Park), 100' connector to Quarry Trail (responsibility of Iowa DNR), and 2,620' of trail between Felderman Park and Potter's Mill. This project is part of the larger Mississippi Circuit initiative in the Grant Wood Loops Park to People program, which looks to connect Bellevue State Park with Mines of Spain (21 miles north) via city and county trails, as well as a new section of Mississippi River Trail along US 52. The Grant Wood Mississippi River Region (Jackson, Jones, Dubuque Counties) was selected as the pilot region for the Governor's Parks to People program.

Total Cost: \$753,000
Requested Amount: \$300,000 (40%)

3. **Project Name:** Interstate 29 Riverfront Trail Connection
- Sponsor:** City of Sioux City, Parks and Recreation
Contact: Angel Wallace, Parks and Recreation Manager
401 Gordon Drive
Sioux City, IA 51101
- Description:** The construction of the I-29 Riverfront Trail Connection project will include 1.5 miles of paved recreational trail which will include two bridges over the Floyd and Bacon Creek Channels. The project includes an extension of the Lewis and Clark Trail connecting Chris Larsen Park to Chautauqua Park. This trail connection project is estimated to cost \$3.2 million.
- Total Cost:** \$3,225,917
Requested Amount: \$ 750,000 (23%)
Recommended: \$ 650,000 (20%)
4. **Project Name:** Iowa River Trail - Marshalltown to South Side of Iowa River
- Sponsor:** City of Marshalltown
Contact: Annemarie Selness, Parks & Recreation Director
24 N Center Street
Marshalltown, IA 50158
- Description:** This project will make 3.4 miles of the Iowa River Trail safe and useable. The Iowa River Trail from the Summit Street Bridge to Radio Tower Road, 0.76 miles, will be hard surfaced. Five dilapidated wooden railroad bridges will be rehabilitated and improved over a 2.64-mile length from Radio Tower Road to the South Side of the Iowa River.
- Total Cost:** \$1,158,614
Requested Amount: \$ 700,000 (60%)
Recommended: \$ 650,000 (56%)
5. **Project Name:** Rolling Prairie Trail - Allison to Bristow
- Sponsor:** Butler County Conservation Board
Contact: Mike Miner, Director
28727 Timber Road
Clarksville, IA 50619
- Description:** This application provides for paving 5.45 miles of the Rolling Prairie Trail from the City of Allison west to the City of Bristow. The proposed segment will consist of a 10' wide, 4" thick asphalt surface with 2' granular shoulders.
- Total Cost:** \$1,288,380
Requested Amount: \$ 750,000 (58%)
Recommended: \$ 664,678 (52%)

6. **Project Name:** Ankeny Market and Pavilion
- Sponsor:** City of Ankeny
Contact: Nick Lenox, Director Parks and Recreation
220 West First Street
Ankeny, IA 50023
- Description:** Ankeny Market and Pavilion - High Trestle Trail and Restroom Facilities.
- Total Cost:** \$1,980,135
Requested Amount: \$ 207,582 (10%)
7. **Project Name:** Cedar Valley Nature Trail Realignment
- Sponsor:** Black Hawk County Conservation Board
Contact: Vern Fish, Executive Director
1346 West Airline Hwy.
Waterloo, IA 50703
- Description:** This application provides for realigning the Cedar Valley Nature Trail in La Porte City to bypass Bridge L3 which has been permanently closed due to unsafe conditions. The realignment will utilize the existing Main Street Bridge to cross Wolf Creek. The new alignment will feature on-road bicycle routes as well as off-road trail segments. The total project length is approximately 0.6 miles. The project also includes the removal of Bridge L3.
- Total Cost:** \$593,469
Requested Amount: \$445,100 (75%)
8. **Project Name:** Cloie Creek Park Recreational Trail
- Sponsor:** City of Asbury
Contact: Jason Thieme, Parks and Recreation Director
5290 Grand Meadow Drive, Suite 100
Asbury, IA 52002
- Co Sponsor:** Tri-State Mountain Bike Riders (TMBR)
Contact: Steve Meislahn
8639 Harvest Lane
Dubuque, IA 52003
- Description:** The City of Asbury is partnering with Tri-State Mountain Bike Riders (TMBR) in a coordinated effort to provide additional recreational trail opportunities to residents in Dubuque County. This project is focused on 2,400 feet of paved, 10' wide multi-use trail and approximately 2.3 miles of single track mountain bike trail. This collaboration between Asbury and TMBR is establishing the first professionally designed mountain bike trail in Dubuque County.
- Total Cost:** \$206,000
Requested Amount: \$153,750 (75%)

9. **Project Name:** Connecting Fort Madison! - Phase 2 Middle School Connector
- Sponsor:** City of Fort Madison
Contact: Larry Driscoll, Public Works Director
811 Avenue E
Fort Madison, IA 52627
- Description:** This project will be Phase II 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 2 of the project will connect the trail built during Phase 1 of the project with 48th Street and the Fort Madison Middle School via an approximately 2,750-foot long concrete multi-use path.
- Total Cost:** \$324,785
Requested Amount: \$243,588 (75%)
10. **Project Name:** Crossroads Trail Connection - Iris Street and Linden Drive
- Sponsor:** City of Mount Pleasant, Iowa
Contact: Brent Schleisman
220 West Monroe
Mount Pleasant, IA 52641
- Description:** The City of Mount Pleasant seeks grant assistance to continue the Phase 6 construction of trails along Iris Street and Linden Drive near Highway 218. The new 0.63-mile trail connection will fill a very noticeable gap between two existing trails in the area. The trail connector will serve to greatly enhance the bike and pedestrian experience of Mount Pleasant and further advance the goal of a fully connected Mount Pleasant Trail System, as outlined in the Trails Vision Plan.
- Total Cost:** \$477,200
Requested Amount: \$357,900 (75%)
11. **Project Name:** Des Moines River Trail Phase 2
- Sponsor:** City of Des Moines Parks and Recreation
Contact: Jenny Richmond, Park Planner
1551 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Parkway
Des Moines, IA 50317
- Description:** This 2.3-mile project presents an opportunity to complete a vital missing link within the city and gain substantial progress toward a significant regional connection. It has strong support from government, citizens and the business community proven by its place in regional plans, results of our annual trail count and survey and support letters.
- Total Cost:** \$3,000,000
Requested Amount: \$ 550,000 (18%)

12. Project Name: Duck Creek Park Shared Use Path

Sponsor: City of Davenport
Contact: Clay Merritt, Management Analyst
1200 East 46th Street
Davenport, IA 52807

Description: The project calls for the construction of a ten-foot shared use path on the north side of East Locust Street from Duck Creek Road to the intersection of East Locust and East Kimberly. The project also upgrades existing crosswalks and a median on the north and west portion of the intersection. The last part of the project will remove the existing sidewalk south of the intersection and replace it with a ten-foot path until it reaches the city limits of Bettendorf. The project calls for a total of 2,184 feet of shared use path.

Total Cost: \$261,447
Requested Amount: \$196,085 (75%)

13. Project Name: Dyersville Park Connection; Westside Park to Candy Cane Park

Sponsor: City of Dyersville
Contact: Mark Michel, City Administrator
340 1st Avenue East
Dyersville, IA 52040

Description: The proposed project will connect Candy Cane Park and Westside Park which are located on opposite sides of the North Fork Maquoketa River. The crossing will reduce out of direction travel for non-motorized users, connect neighborhoods, and provide easier access to the ball fields, trails, soccer fields, play equipment, parking lots, and the Candy Cane park restroom. The proposed project includes 1100' of trail and an approximately 150' long non-vehicular bridge spanning the North Fork Maquoketa River.

Total Cost: \$620,000
Requested Amount: \$465,000 (75%)

- 14. Project Name:** Extension of Rivervue Trail to Spruce Creek Park
- Sponsor:** Jackson County Conservation
Contact: Daryl Parker, Conservation Director
18670 63rd Street
Maquoketa, IA 52060
- Description:** This project looks to extend the existing Rivervue Trail 3,300' north to Spruce Creek Park (Jackson County), as part of the larger Mississippi Circuit Initiative in the Grant Wood Loop Parks to People program. The Mississippi Circuit will connect Bellevue State Park to Mines of Spain State Park (21 miles north) via city and county trails, as well as a new section of the Mississippi River Trail along US 52. The extension will begin where the current Rivervue Trail meets 395th Avenue and will continue north along 395th/396th Avenues to the entrance of Spruce Creek Park.
- Total Cost:** \$305,526
Requested Amount: \$200,000 (65%)
- 15. Project Name:** Fayette Volga River Multi-Use Trail
- Sponsor:** Upper Iowa University
Contact: Andrew Wenthe, Vice President for 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 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. The trail was started in 2010 and has been completely graded. Currently over two miles are paved but a half-mile section is not paved. This paving will connect the 2.5-mile trail with 22 miles of existing trails in the Volga River State Recreation area.
- Total Cost:** \$367,494
Requested Amount: \$275,620 (75%)

16. **Project Name:** First Bridge
- Sponsor:** River Action, Inc.
Contact: Kathy Wine, Executive Director
PO Box 964
Davenport, IA 52805
- Description:** Recognizing the confluence of a cultural opportunity and infrastructural need, River Action will reconstruct one 255-foot span of the first railroad bridge across the Mississippi. Utilizing the original 1856 berm, the reconstructed bridge will cross River Drive (US 67), connecting a new YMCA and Early Learning Center on 4th Street with River Heritage Park, the Government Bridge, and the MRT and ADT trail systems. Funds will cover Phase 1 of the project, including the bridge design and construction of the northern abutment.
- Total Cost:** \$996,680
Requested Amount: \$542,175 (54%)
17. **Project Name:** Five Island Trail
- Sponsor:** Palo Alto County Conservation Board
Contact: Mary Barrick, Director of the Palo Alto County Conservation Board
P.O. Box 417; 3267 350th Avenue
Ruthven, IA 51358
- Co Sponsor:** Five Island Trail Committee
Contact: Steve Hoyman, Five Island Trail Chairman
505 Wallace Street
Emmetsburg, IA 50536
- Description:** The Five Island Trail project plans are to continue construction of a recreational trail on the northwest side of Emmetsburg and Five Island Lake. This grant represents Phase 6 and proposes to construct an additional 2,200 feet (approximately 1/2 of a mile) of trail, as shown on Sketch D, Segment H-I. If successful with this grant, a total of 3+ miles of trail will be completed. The Five Island Trail will wind along one of the most scenic lakes in Iowa, connecting several parks and lake access points. Five Island Lake is the 11th largest natural lake in Iowa.
- Total Cost:** \$169,500
Requested Amount: \$127,125 (75%)

- 18. Project Name:** Gay Lea Wilson Trail
- Sponsor:** City of Bondurant
Contact: Mark Arentsen
PO Box 37
Bondurant, IA 50035
- Description:** This project is an approximate 1.5-mile extension of the Gay Lea Wilson Trail that will begin at Brick Street in Bondurant, cross Highway 65, then follow Grant Street, South Mud Creek south to connect with the Altoona extension at I-80 West.
- Total Cost:** \$3,438,155
Requested Amount: \$3,000,000 (87%)
- 19. Project Name:** Hardin County: Iowa River Trail Phase 2
- Sponsor:** Hardin County
Contact: Nancy Lauver, Board of Supervisors Secretary
1215 Edgington Avenue
Eldora, IA 50627
- Description:** This project will rehabilitate and improve two dilapidated wooden railroad bridges and one culvert. It will also pave 1.17 miles of trail from the southwest part of Steamboat Rock (end of Phase 1) to UU Avenue. Bridge work and trail paving together will make an additional 2.5 miles of the developing Iowa River Trail safe and usable. It will also connect to existing trails to create a 10-mile loop between Eldora, Pine Lake State Park, and Steamboat Rock.
- Total Cost:** \$842,225
Requested Amount: \$630,000 (75%)
- 20. Project Name:** Hoover Trail – “The Missing Link” Phase 2
- Sponsor:** Johnson County Conservation Board
Contact: Larry Gullett, Executive Director
2048 Highway 6 NW
Oxford, IA 52322
- Description:** Construction of this 2.6-mile phase of the “missing link” of the Hoover Trail between Ely and Solon will connect more than 200 miles of trails in eastern Iowa, including four of Iowa’s largest communities and ten urban trail systems in Iowa City, Cedar Rapids, Cedar Falls, and Waterloo. The counties impacted by completing the hard-surface trail include: Johnson, Linn, Buchanan, Benton, and Black Hawk, with a combined population of 539,635 according to the 2014 Census Bureau estimates. This proposal includes the construction of a 2.6-mile segment of the 6-mile project.
- Total Cost:** \$1,947,276
Requested Amount: \$ 700,000 (36%)

- 21. Project Name:** Hurstville Trail
- Sponsor:** Friends of Jackson County Conservation
Contact: Daryl Parker, Conservation Director
18670 63rd Street
Maquoketa, IA 52060
- Co Sponsor:** Jackson County
Contact: LuAnn Goeke, Executive Assistant
201 W. Platt Street
Maquoketa, IA 52060
- Description:** The Hurstville Trail is part of the "Prairie Creek Connections" initiative within the Grant Wood Loop Master Plan (Parks to People). This initiative aims to create an activity hub in the heart of the three-county Grant Wood Loop region (Jackson, Jones, and Dubuque) by linking the new Prairie Creek Recreation Area, downtown Maquoketa, Hurstville Interpretive Center, and Maquoketa Caves State Park. This portion of the project is the key link and consists of 1.1 miles of dedicated trail linking Maquoketa with the Interpretive Center. The trail will connect to a pedestrian bridge over the Maquoketa River and will consist of a 10' asphalt trail along the west side of Hurstville Road to 63rd Street and up 63rd to the Interpretive Center. The proposed trail will be the only pedestrian link between the City and the Center.
- Total Cost:** \$667,288
Requested Amount: \$300,000 (45%)
- 22. Project Name:** Iowa DNR AmeriCorps Trails Crew
- Sponsor:** Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Contact: Rhonda Fowler
502 E. 9th Street
Des Moines, IA 50319
- Description:** Rehabilitation and development of trails and trail infrastructure in Iowa's state parks, upward of 25 miles.
- Total Cost:** \$395,000
Requested Amount: \$296,250 (75%)

23. Project Name: Iowa Great Lakes Connection Trail

Sponsor: Clay County
Contact: Marge Pitts, Clay County Auditor
300 West 4th Street
Spencer, IA 51301

Co Sponsor: City of Spencer
Contact: Bob Fagen, City Manager
405 1st Avenue West
Spencer, IA 51301

Description: This project is seeking Iowa State Recreational Trails funding to complete the "Iowa Great Lakes Connection Trail" from the City of Spencer to the Iowa Great Lakes Trail in Dickinson County. The proposed project entails construction of approximately 8 miles of dedicated trail that includes trail development within the City of Spencer, construction of trail north through Clay County connecting to the City of Fostoria, and ultimately connecting to the beginning of the Iowa Great Lakes Trail in Dickinson County.

Total Cost: \$2,673,000
Requested Amount: \$1,868,750 (70%)

24. Project Name: Iowa River Trail - Coralville Section

Sponsor: City of Coralville
Contact: Sherri Proud
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 2,470 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 our westerly neighbor of Tiffin by 2017, and this project will connect on the east side to Crandic Park in Iowa City.

Total Cost: \$879,603
Requested Amount: \$196,986 (22%)

- 25. Project Name:** Jones Pasture Trail
- Sponsor:** Dickinson County Trails Board
Contact: Jean Martin, Executive Director
PO Box 304
Okoboji, IA 51355
- Description:** This 5,440-foot trail is to extend the existing trail north on the east side of Big Spirit Lake to reach the IDNR's Angler's Bay Wildlife Management Area (a future trail will be built through the beautiful WMA), furthering the plan developed when Angler's Bay was purchased to avoid future development in the area. The new trail will create connectivity to the entire Iowa Great Lakes Trails system through the connections to the East Okoboji Slough Trail and the Pioneer Beach Road Trail, both at the south end of Big Spirit Lake. The new trail will also provide added safety and convenience in accessing the trails for residents along the over one-mile path.
- Total Cost:** \$520,742
Requested Amount: \$329,520 (63%)
- 26. Project Name:** Lake Belva Deer Area Phase 3
- 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, PE, County Engineer
Courthouse, 101 South Main Street
Sigourney, IA 52591
- Description:** This project includes construction of the final concrete surfacing for the Belva Deer Trail in Keokuk County. The project includes 10-foot wide by 6-inch thick concrete for the 2.75-mile long trail connecting Sigourney to Belva Deer Park.
- Total Cost:** \$1,100,000
Requested Amount: \$ 610,000 (55%)

- 27. Project Name:** Louisa County Fairground Trailhead and Connection to the Hoover Nature Trail
- Sponsor:** Louisa County Conservation Board
Contact: Katie Hammond, Executive Director
12635 County Road G56, Suite 101
Wapello, IA 52653
- Co Sponsor:** Louisa County Trails Council
Contact: Jeanne Mott
12635 County Road G56, Suite 106
Wapello, IA 52653
- Description:** The Louisa County Conservation Board (LCCB), Louisa County Trails Council (LCTC) and the Louisa County Fairboard (CFFB) are working jointly to develop a community trailhead at the fairgrounds which will connect to the existing section of Hoover Nature Trail (HNT) at Chinkapin Bluffs Recreation Area. Improvements to the trail itself, including resurfacing and addressing drainage issues, are a big part of the plan. The trail is 2.02 miles long and connects to the trail system in Chinkapin in two places making a nice large loop for trail users.
- Total Cost:** \$245,070
Requested Amount: \$120,000 (49%)
- 28. Project Name:** Mark C. Ackelson Trail, Phase 3
- Sponsor:** Polk County Conservation Board
Contact: Loren Lown, Natural Areas and Parks Administrator
11407 NW Jester Park Drive
Granger, IA 50109
- Description:** The Mark C. Ackelson Trail, Phase 3 will complete two miles of a 12-foot wide paved trail in two separate segments on the east and west side of Easter Lake. The easternmost segment from Evergreen Drive to Payton Avenue (SE 60th Ave) will fill a 1.8-mile gap in the larger Des Moines to Carlisle Trail Connections. The segment, along with the westernmost 0.2-mile segment which crosses the lake with a larger bridge, will also complete a 4-mile circumferential loop around Easter Lake.
- Total Cost:** \$2,833,400
Requested Amount: \$ 500,000 (18%)

- 29. Project Name:** Mehaffey Bridge Road Separated Trail
- Sponsor:** Johnson County Secondary Roads
Contact: Greg Parker, PE, County Engineer
4810 Melrose Ave. West
Iowa City, IA 52246
- Description:** The proposed separated trail adjacent Mehaffey Bridge Road extends from the north corporate limits of North Liberty to the US Army Corps of Engineers' Mehaffey Boat Ramp totaling 2.0 miles. Johnson County has been awarded \$177,152 from the Metropolitan Planning Organization and \$1,080,289 from the Regional Planning Affiliation.
- Total Cost:** \$2,752,000
Requested Amount: \$ 742,559 (27%)
- 30. Project Name:** MRT: Clayton County - Buck Creek to Marina Road
- Sponsor:** Clayton County
Contact: Rafe Koopman, County Engineer
Clayton County Office Bldg., 600 Gunder Road NE, Suite 14
Elkador, IA 52043
- Description:** This project will construct 2.7 miles of new trail, including 2.3 new miles of the MRT and a 0.4-mile spur off the MRT, in Clayton County. It will connect the existing MRT in Clayton County with the Guttenberg section of the MRT in Ingelside Park. The trail developed through this project will connect MRT users and community members to parks and natural areas with a lake, a cold water trout stream, ice fishing, hiking trails, birding opportunities, as well as dozens of natural, cultural, and economic resources in and around Guttenberg.
- Total Cost:** \$1,079,815
Requested Amount: \$ 809,861 (75%)
- 31. Project Name:** Paul Skeffington Memorial Trail Phase III
- Sponsor:** City of DeWitt
Contact: Steve Lindner, City Administrator
City Hall PO Box 407
DeWitt, IA 52742
- Description:** The proposed trail extension of 3,000 feet would connect to the Paul Skeffington Memorial Trail (PSMT) in Westbrook Park, located on the west edge of DeWitt and run east to the 400 block of 13th Avenue. The extension would connect the city's south and east neighborhoods to the rest of the trail and to Westbrook Park. Westbrook Park (100 acres) is the city's largest park and includes four baseball diamonds, three youth soccer fields, shelters, playgrounds, an 18-hole disc golf course, a dog park, and an off-road bike trail. The trail would connect a large part of the city and offer safe access to walk, run, bike, or rollerblade to Westbrook Park.
- Total Cost:** \$708,000
Requested Amount: \$300,000 (42%)

- 32. Project Name:** Pleasant Hill Youngstown Trail, Phase 2
- Sponsor:** City of Pleasant Hill
Contact: Madeline Sturms, Senior Planner
5160 Maple Drive, Suite A
Pleasant Hill, IA 50327
- Description:** Phase 2 of the Youngstown Trail is a 2.25-mile key trail segment of the Pleasant Hill trail system. The construction and paving of this 2.25-mile trail gap completes a continuous six-mile loop of a bike trail facility around the community. This section of 12-foot multi-use trail is a separated pedestrian and bicycle facility which connects to the Gay Lea Wilson Trail and other Statewide Significant Trails in the Central Iowa Trails network.
- Total Cost:** \$1,373,255
Requested Amount: \$1,029,941 (75%)
- 33. Project Name:** Raccoon River Valley Trail to High Trestle Trail “Connector” Acquisition and Phase I Construction
- Sponsor:** Dallas County Conservation Board
Contact: Mike Wallace, Director
14581 K Avenue
Perry, IA 50220
- Description:** This phase of the RRVT to HTT consists of acquisition of seven land parcels and for the first phase of the construction of this overall nine mile +- trail project. The first phase of construction is anticipated to be approximately 1.5 miles. The trail would be 10-foot wide, 6” thick concrete or asphalt.
- Total Cost:** \$821,400
Requested Amount: \$616,050 (75%)

34. Project Name: Sheldon Crossing Trail

Sponsor: City of Sheldon
Contact: Scott Wynja, City of Sheldon City Manager
PO Box 276
Sheldon, IA 51201

Description: This will be .75 miles of new trail connected to the already developed Sheldon Recreational Trail System. The current trail system is 5.59 miles in length and this new project will connect to the existing trail and go around a pond. This is a City project and currently only local funds have been secured and the City owns the property the proposed trail will be constructed on. They want to move quickly with this project as local funds are secured and preliminary design has already occurred for the project.

Total Cost: \$326,692
Requested Amount: \$245,018 (75%)

35. Project Name: Underwood Trail - Railroad Highway

Sponsor: City of Underwood
Contact: Jill Willard
PO Box 40
Underwood, IA 51576

Co Sponsor: Pottawattamie County Trail Board
Contact: Brian Shea
102 West Florence Street
Crescent, IA 51526

Description: This trail 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 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: \$474,500
Requested Amount: \$355,875 (75%)

36. Project Name: Wapsipinicon Trail

Sponsor: Jones County

Contact: Dusty Embree, Executive Director, Jones County Economic Development
121 E Main Street
Anamosa, IA 52205

Co Sponsor: City of Anamosa

Contact: Alan Jackson, City Administrator
107 S Ford Street
Anamosa, IA 52205

Description: The Wapsipinicon Trail will provide a safe pedestrian and bicycle route for residents and visitors between Anamosa and Wapsipinicon State Park. This trail will be an approximately one-mile 10' trail that will run parallel to Shaw Road from Anamosa to the historic Hale Bridge in Wapsipinicon State Park. This connection will create a 5k loop and is part of the regional Grant Wood Mississippi River Region Parks to People initiative called "Crossing the Wapsi."

Total Cost: \$959,000

Requested Amount: \$300,000 (31%)