# FNSB Project Nomination Form

**Submission Date:** September 17, 2021

## Nominator Contact Information

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<th>Name:</th>
<th>Bryant Wright</th>
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<td>Organization:</td>
<td>Fairbanks North Star Borough Parks &amp; Recreation</td>
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<td>Parks and Recreation</td>
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<td>Email:</td>
<td><a href="mailto:Bryant.wright@fnsb.gov">Bryant.wright@fnsb.gov</a></td>
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## Project Information

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<th>Proposed Name:</th>
<th>Skyline Ridge Park Trail System Development</th>
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<td>Project Description:</td>
<td>Develop Skyline Ridge Park’s trail system and connect to the Goldstream Valley Public Use Area. Improvements will include trailhead and wayfinding, many miles of new trail, selective clearing and removal of abandoned army installation infrastructure.</td>
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## Safety Code and Compliance

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<th>Reduce or Eliminate health risk:</th>
<th>Yes</th>
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<td>Explanation:</td>
<td>Trail reroutes will eliminate trespass and provide a safer trail layout. Hazard trees and abandoned army installation infrastructure (such as barbed wire fencing and trenches) will be removed. New parking will increase safety at the intersection.</td>
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<th>Current Facility Condition:</th>
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<td>Explanation:</td>
<td>The trail to the Goldstream Valley is partially in trespass and severely rutted. The parking at Noel Drive is undeveloped and poses a safety risk. The Skyline ridge</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Explanation:</td>
<td>This project will construct parking at the primary trailhead to make it ADA compliant. A concrete pad will accommodate an ADA accessible portable toilet. A ½ mile accessible trail loop is proposed from the trailhead.</td>
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### Facility Condition

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### Project Funding

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<th>Partially Funded</th>
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<td>Source of Secured Funding:</td>
<td>Two grants from the State of Alaska Recreational Trails Program were secured in 2015 and 2017 to restore the Skyline Ridge Trail. The two grants summed more than $100,000. Work was completed in 2018. Additional funding ($7,000) for signage and wayfinding in Skyline</td>
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Ridge Park was secured by the Interior Alaska Trails and Parks Foundation via a grant from REI.

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<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Match Amount Info:</td>
<td>1 - 10% match required</td>
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### Project Funding Notes:

The Parks and Recreation Department is continually seeking grant and partner funding for all of our projects. Generally match amounts are between 9% and 50%. A common source of funding for trail projects has been Federal Highways Administration Funds passed through the State of Alaska Recreational Trails Program.

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<th>Organization Contribution:</th>
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<td>Source of Funds Contributed:</td>
<td>The Borough may contribute funds for planning, design, surveying, matching funds for grants, or construction funds.</td>
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### Project Funding Attachment:

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<td>Explanation:</td>
<td>Skyline is a popular trail system with far more potential. Parking will make the area more inviting. New trails, including singletrack mountain biking trails, promise unique opportunities, and trail connections will make short and long loops possible.</td>
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<td>Explanation:</td>
<td>The trailhead lacks formal parking and overflows into the road. Developed parking will increase the visitor capacity. New trails will accommodate more visitors whilst dispersing use and reducing crowding conflicts.</td>
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**Explanation:**

Improvements to existing trail sections will make them more durable and longer lasting. Newly constructed trail sections will be built to sustainable trail standards, greatly reducing potential wear and tear and future maintenance needs. Sustainably designed trails are expected to last in perpetuity with very little but regular maintenance. The parking area will be hardened to withstand higher use.

## Planning and Design

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<td>Scope or Engineering Studies Done:</td>
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<td>Explain Work Done to Date:</td>
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**FNSB Trail Plan. FNSB procured 35% designs for the trailhead parking, 100%**
designs for the kiosk. Precise layouts for the proposed new routes will be developed in consultation with local residents, trail users, landowners, and trail professionals.

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<td><strong>Impact on Operation Budget:</strong></td>
<td>Maintain the operating budget</td>
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<td><strong>Explanation:</strong></td>
<td>According to the current Trail Plan, regular trail maintenance to the Borough Trail System is intended to be accomplished by trail user groups. The Parks Dept Trails Coordinator will continue to work with trail users to coordinate trail maintenance.</td>
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<td><strong>Type of Population Served</strong></td>
<td>Regional areawide users</td>
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<td><strong>Description of Needs Met:</strong></td>
<td>The trail system is highly popular and serves as a major hub of trails north of Fairbanks, connecting in all directions to many miles of the community trail network identified in the Trail Plan. New trails will draw visitors from all FNSB.</td>
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<td><strong>Applicable Form of Support:</strong></td>
<td>Resolutions of support (agencies, governments, etc.), Letters of support (groups,</td>
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### Explanation of Levels of Support:

Skyline Ridge trail system has received Assembly support for funding via two Recreational Trails Program grants in 2015 and 2017. This has been a longstanding priority of the Trails Advisory Commission. Volunteer events illustrate support for this park.

### Meets Goals or Objectives:

Yes

### Explanation:

This specifically addresses the Comprehensive Recreational Trail Plan (2006) by completing the Skyline Ridge/Goldstream Valley Open Space Loop as described on page 37 of the Plan. It also connects to other major trail systems in the plan.

### Project Support Attachments:

2021CIP_Skyline_Support.pdf

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<td>and extremely long lifetime. The Skyline Ridge Trails have gained great momentum over the last few years. As we improve them, more people come and enjoy the trail system and fall in love with the area. It's frequently mentioned as a hidden gem. Investing in trail design and development will ensure the park meets its potential.</td>
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**Key Plan**

- **Isberg Recreation Area Trailhead**
- **Skyline Ridge Park Trailhead**

**General Notes**:
1. **NOTE**: Notify Owners of representations of any discrepancies on the plans or on the site. Modifications in the field shall not be made until approval has been granted by the owner's representative.
2. **NOTE**: Coordinate with utility providers and verify location of utilities prior to construction.
3. **NOTE**: Final location and orientation of kiosk to be determined and approved on site by the owner's representative prior to installation.

**Kiosk - Type A - Typical Site Plan**

- Install 4" compacted gravel pad around base of kiosk; 2'-0" buffer from roof overhang on sides and back; 4'-0" buffer from roof overhang on front side.
- Align front of kiosk and gravel pad to be perpendicular to existing trailhead access.

**Symbol Description**

- **B&B**: Ball & Burlap
- **CAL.**: Caliper
- **CENTERLINE**: Centerline
- **CONT.**: Container
- **DIA.**: Diameter
- **Ø**: Diameter
- **HDG**: Hot-dipped galvanized
- **HT.**: Height
- **MAX.**: Maximum
- **MIN.**: Minimum
- **N.I.C.**: Not in contract
- **O.C.**: On center
- **PSI**: Pounds per square inch
- **PT**: Pressure Treated
- **QTY.**: Quantity
- **TBD**: To be determined
- **TYP.**: Typical

**Architectural Abbreviations**

- **KIOSK - TYPE A**
- **EXISTING PARKING AREA OR TRAIL** (SEE PLANS)
- **EXISTING PAVING**
- **EXISTING GRAVEL**
- **EXISTING DECK**
- **EXISTING ROOF OVERHANG**

**Location - Key Plan**

- **Skyline Ridge Park Trailhead**
- **Isberg Recreation Area Trailhead**

**Scale of Feet**

- **40**
- **20**
- **0**

**Notation**

- **NOTE**: Final location and orientation of kiosk to be determined and approved on site by the owner's representative prior to installation.
7'-6" POST HT. ABOVE FG
5'-0"
4'-8"
3'-0"
1'-6"

PLAN VIEW
FRONT VIEW
LEFT SIDE VIEW

(2) 4x6 PT WOOD POST (TYP.)
1'-0"
3/4" THICK PT PLYWOOD PANEL

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SLOPE TO DRAIN
POST
POST
POSTS TO BE PLUMB (TYP.)
ADJACENT SURFACE
EXISTING OR COMPACTED SUBGRADE (TYP.)
6'-11" POST
HT. ABOVE FG
3'-5 1/2"

POST (TYP.)
FOOTING BELOW (TYP.)
(2) 2x4 PT SPACERS; (1) EACH SIDE OF PLYWOOD PANEL

3/4" THICK PT PLYWOOD PANEL
(2) 2x4 PT SPACERS; (1) EACH SIDE OF PLYWOOD PANEL (TYP.)

PANEL CONNECTIONS
2" MINUS FILTER ROCK (TYP.)
CONCRETE FOOTING

2" Panel Connections (TYP.)
5. POSTS TO BE PLUMB (TYP.)
6. PANELS TO BE PLUMB (TYP.)

2" Thick PT Plywood Panel
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GENERAL NOTES:
1. PLYWOOD PANEL ATTACHMENT TO ALLOW FOR REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT.
   DO NOT MODIFY HARDWARE TO PERMANENTLY ATTACH PANEL TO POSTS.
2. ALL ATTACHMENT HARDWARE SHALL BE GALVANIZED EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE NOTED.
3. ALL WOOD MEMBERS TO BE STAINED WITH APPROPRIATE EXTERIOR GRADE STAIN FOR PT WOOD.
   COLOR: BROWN (EXACT COLOR TO BE PROVIDED BY OWNER AT TIME OF CONSTRUCTION).
4. ALL CUTS EXPOSED TO WEATHER SHALL BE TREATED WITH WATERPROOF WOOD PRESERVATIVE/SEALER.
   SUBMIT PRODUCT TO BE USED FOR APPROVAL BY THE OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE PRIOR TO INSTALLATION.
5. ALL PRESSURE TREATED WOOD SHALL BE 'SELECT' GRADE.
6. PLYWOOD SHALL BE 'A' GRADE MARINE FIR.
7. ALL ATTACHMENT HARDWARE SHALL BE GALVANIZED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

80°
PANEL CONNECTIONS
2L3
(2) 4x6 PT POST (TYP.)
2x4 PT SPACER; ATTACH TO POSTS WITH (2) EACH EXTERIOR #8 x 3" DECKING SCREWS, EQUALLY SPACED VERTICALLY PRIOR TO FOOTING INSTALLATION (TYP.)
3/4" THICK PT PLYWOOD PANEL
(2) 2x4 PT SPACERS; (1) EACH SIDE OF PLYWOOD PANEL (TYP.)

PLAN VIEW
FRONT VIEW
SIDE VIEW
LEFT SIDE VIEW

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TRIM POST ENDS TO MATCH PLYWOOD PANEL ANGLE (TYP.)
SECURE WITH 5/8"Ø x 12" GALVANIZED HEX HEAD BOLT, WASHERS, AND NUT THROUGH ENTIRE ASSEMBLY

CONCRETE FOOTING
2x4 PT SPACER (TYP.)
3/4" THICK PT PLYWOOD PANEL
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Capital Improvement Plan
Trail Project Nominations

Draft Concept Plan: Skyline Ridge Park Trail System Development

Legend
- Parking improvements, this project
- Portable restroom pad, this project
- ADA Loops (proposed, this project)
- Non-Motorized multi-use (proposed, this project)
- Singletrack Mountain Biking (proposed, this project)
- FNSB Trail Plan
- Other Trails & Paths (Non-Plan)
- Fairbanks North Star Borough
- State of Alaska

Skyline Ridge Trail
Noel Drive Trailhead

Goldstream Public Use Area

Legend
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- Portable restroom pad, this project
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Draft Concept Plan: Skyline Ridge Park Trail System Development

Capital Improvement Plan
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Laura Minski, FNSB Department of Parks and Recreation
FROM: Sophia Huff, PE; Phoebe Bredlie, PE; Shelley Giraldo, El
DATE: May 4, 2020
SUBJECT: Parking Lot at Skyline Ridge Park
FNSB Project No. PR02
35% Concept Design

This memorandum presents the design narrative for the Parking Lot at Skyline Ridge Park – 35% Concept Design. The Concept Design will provide the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) with the 35% level design and construction cost estimate for a parking area and trailhead to access Skyline Ridge Park. Final design and bid documents, bidding and construction will be a future project phase with construction anticipated for the summer of 2021. The Concept Design is intended to support the FNSB Department of Parks and Recreation with their efforts to apply for funding to complete the future project phases.

Project Background
Skyline Ridge Park is a FNSB-maintained park located about 9 miles north of downtown Fairbanks, in the hills north of Farmers Loop Road. The park contains popular trails which have seen increased traffic throughout recent years. A widened area on the southwest corner of the two-leg intersection of MIA Street and Noel Drive is currently used as a parking lot by users accessing the park. The FNSB contracted with Kinney Engineering, LLC (KE) to provide professional design services to replace the informal parking area with a formal, ADA compliant parking lot and trailhead.

Existing Site Conditions
The existing site conditions (planimetric and topographic) are based on LiDAR data and aerial imagery acquired for the FNSB in 2017. Property lines shown are approximate only and do not represent surveyed property lines. Neither land nor topographic surveys were performed as they are not within the scope of this contract.

The existing area used as the informal parking is located on the southwest corner of MIA Street and Noel Drive and has a gravel surface, like the adjacent intersecting roads. The area is bell-shaped and measures about 40 feet wide (perpendicular to the roadway) at its widest point and is over 100 feet long. Based on the approximated property lines, most of this widened area lies within the road right-of-way (ROW), although a small portion of the north end is on FNSB property.

The site is surrounded by trees and vegetation on all sides, except on the northeast side where Mia Street and Noel Drive intersect. Generally, the existing ground on the east side of the existing pullout is higher in elevation than the existing ground west of the pullout.

There are no culverts or ditches on site.
**Proposed Design**

The 35% Concept Design for the Parking Lot at Skyline Ridge Park proposes the following site improvements:

- aggregate surface course parking lot and access driveway
- (10) total parking spaces
- (2) ADA spaces and signs
- ADA compliant trail access from the ADA parking spaces to the Skyline Ridge Trail

The elements of the 35% Concept Design are described in more detail below.

**Site Layout**

The concept design proposes an approximate 70 feet by 78 feet parking lot west of the existing widened area. The concept design locates the proposed parking lot and trailhead access entirely within FNSB property, outside of the road ROW and approximately five feet west of a Section Line Easement. A 24-foot wide by 100-foot long driveway will connect the parking lot to the two-leg intersection of MIA Street and Noel Drive. The driveway is located such that trail users will have good visibility of the intersecting streets when entering and exiting the parking lot.

The concept design proposes a 5’ cleared perimeter around the proposed parking lot and alongside the driveway, as measured from the toe of fill to the edge of clearing. Clearing alongside the trail is recommended to the toe of fill.

The concept design assumes a passenger vehicle as the design vehicle. Since the site is also expected to have a portable toilet, the site layout must provide sufficient space for a truck to access the portable toilet for maintenance. To develop the 35% site layout, KE verified turning radii and operational space requirements using the characteristics of both vehicles, assuming the passenger car would use the parking spaces while the truck would only enter the parking lot to empty the portable toilet.

The concept design proposes access to trails from the southwest corner of the parking lot. The two parking stalls nearest the proposed trail access are proposed as the ADA spaces.

**Site Amenities**

In addition to parking, the site layout provides consideration for the following amenities:

- informational kiosk
- portable toilet
- boulders/bollards to protect portable toilet, kiosk, and trail access

The concept site plan proposes the portable toilet be located on the northwest corner of the lot and the informational kiosk along the west edge of the lot, near the southwest corner and trail access. The proposed portable toilet location provides for service access even when all parking stalls are occupied. It is recommended that boulders or bollards be placed to protect errant vehicles from unintentionally backing into the portable toilet or information kiosk. Similarly, boulders or bollards are recommended between the parking lot and trail access dissuade motorized trail use and to encourage trails users to use the established trail to prevent erosion and preserve the trail.

**Site Section**

Geotechnical investigation or exploration was not performed for this contract. The recommended site sections are based on similar gravel parking lots and roads constructed within FNSB. The site section presented in the concept design plan meets or exceeds FNSB C Title 17 - Subdivisions.

Preserving the existing vegetative mat is known to reduce the rate of long-term thaw settlement and mitigate fines
propagating upwards into the gravel pad. For this reason, it is recommended the area planned for development is cleared only and not grubbed.

A layer of woven geotextile separation fabric is recommended between the cleared ground and the first lift of non-frost susceptible material.

A minimum depth of 24-inches of non-frost susceptible material (borrow) is recommended for embankment construction with 2:1 maximum fill slope at the edge of parking lot and 6:1 fill slopes at the driveway. While the proposed design and cost estimate provide for a minimum depth of 24-inches of borrow, the LiDAR data indicates intermittent variations in the existing ground surface where the minimum depth of fill may be only 18-inches. A topographic field survey will be necessary to prepare a design level existing ground surface.

Six (6) inches of crushed aggregate base course is proposed as surfacing for the driveway and parking lot.

**Site Grading and Drainage**

The finished ground surface will be graded to match the existing drainage patterns of the site. A minimum 3% cross-slope is recommended to direct surface water off non-paved surfaces. The concept design is graded to direct surface water primarily westward, with a 1% longitudinal slope from the edge of the road and along the driveway then transitioning to an approximate 4.7% slope within the parking lot. To facilitate drainage on site, a 20-foot long 12” CMP culvert is recommended under the proposed trail access where it connects to the proposed parking lot.

**Estimated Cost**

The total estimated cost to construct the parking lot and trailhead is $110,000, based on the following breakdown:

- $25,000 to complete the design and prepare bid documents
- $77,000 to construct
- $8,000 for FNSB administration and management

Attachment A presents the concept design estimate, itemized by pay item. The estimate includes a 20% contingency to account for the uncertainty in earthwork quantities due to not having a field survey for the existing ground surface nor a fully completed design. Unit costs used in the estimates are primarily based on bid prices from Salcha transfer site expansion. Cost estimates from the [FNSB Skyline Ridge and Goldstream Valley Trail System Connections 2019 project nomination](#) were used to estimate costs for aggregate surface course and trail reconditioning. An approximate 10% contingency is assumed for FNSB administration and management and an approximate 30% contingency for finalizing the design and preparing construction bid documents.
Attachment A

35% Concept Plan and Estimate Concept Graphic for Public Outreach
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<td>603(30)</td>
<td>CORRUGATED METAL PIPE (CMP), 12&quot;</td>
<td>LINEAR FOOT</td>
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35% DESIGN CONTINGENCY (12.5%) $ 12,780

TOTAL ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE (BASE BID) $ 76,660

FNSB CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT (~10%) $ 8,000

FINAL DESIGN AND BID DOCUMENTS (~30%) $ 25,000

TOTAL (DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND FNSB MANAGEMENT) $ 109,660
PROPOSED PARKING LOT AT SKYLINE RIDGE

May 2020

70' X 78' Parking Lot

Concrete Bumpers
Portable Toilet
Kiosk
Landscaping
Boulders
Bollards
Culvert

145’ X 10’ Access to Existing Trail

10’ Stall Width
Typical

20’ Stall Length
Typical

(10) Total Parking Stalls

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24’ Wide Driveway

30’ Wide Aisle

PREPARED BY KINNNEY ENGINEERING, LLC ON 5/4/2020. NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION.
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|           | Project Total | $1,032,102.00 |
MEMORANDUM

TO: John Haas, Acting Parks and Recreation Director, Fairbanks North Star Borough
THROUGH: Sharon Wittenkeller, Administrative Assistant III Clerk
FROM: Mark Oldmixon, Parks and Recreation Commission, Chairperson
DATE: August 19, 2021
SUBJECT: 2022 CIP PROJECT LIST PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION LETTER OF SUPPORT

At their August 16, 2021 regular meeting, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously (7-0) to recommend support of Department of Parks and Recreation 2022 CIP nomination list as listed below and adding the North Star Athletic Complex.

Fairbanks North Star Borough
Department of Parks and Recreation
Capital Improvement 2022 Nomination List

Chena Lake Improvements
Carlson Center Remodel and Expansion
PPK Playground Upgrades and Replacement
Growden Park Revitalization
Fifth Avenue Park Revitalization
Isberg Recreation Area Master Plan Implementation
North Pole High School Ice Rink Phase I & II
Fairbanks Lions Recreation Area (FLRA) Revitalization
Tanana Lakes Recreation Area Improvements
Parks Maintenance Shop
Griffin Park Safety, Access, and Rehabilitation
Peede Road Open Space
Equinox Marathon Trail Extension and Completion
Weeks Field at Noel Wien Library
Chena River Park
PPK Cabin Foundations, Structure Safety, and Roofs
PPK Maintenance Shop, Park Office, and Chena Heritage Parking
Indoor Playground
Welcome to Fairbanks Signage
Artificial Turf Complex Improvements
Skyline Ridge and Goldstream Valley Trail System
South Davis Park Master Plan Implementation
PPK Utility Mapping and Repairs
PPK Cabin 35A and Old Train Depot Removal, Abatement, and / or Repair
PPK Boat Launch Dredging and Boat Ramp
PPK SS Nenana and Harding Car Full Restoration
PPK Carousel Endosure
PPK Kashim Removal and Restoration
PPK Chena Heritage Multi-Purpose Canter
Hamilton Acres Park Renovation
Trail a Year
North Pole Sports Hub
Hamme Pool Climbing Wall
North Star Athletic Complex
September 10, 2019

TO: Bryce J. Ward, Mayor
THROUGH: Mike Bork, Director, FNSB Parks & Recreation
FROM: Carol Kaynor, Chair, FNSB Trails Advisory Commission

Re: Letter supporting the Parks and Recreation Department’s nominations of trail projects for the FNSB 2020 Capital Improvement Program

Dear Mayor Ward,

The Trails Advisory Commission (TAC) wishes to express its support for the trail projects nominated by the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) Parks and Recreation Department for inclusion in the 2020 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). We recommend that you support the addition of these projects to the CIP. They include:

1. Develop public access for the Borough trail system
2. Trailhead development for the Borough trail system
3. Equinox Marathon Trail completion
4. Skyline Ridge to Goldstream Valley Loop trail system
5. Isberg Recreation Area Master Plan implementation
6. Peede Road open space tract access development

For years, the TAC has consistently advocated for the FNSB to fund and address elements of these projects. These projects are aligned with the TAC’s priorities for the trail program to develop public access to trails, improve and maintain trail conditions, and promote trail use through outreach. The projects also take critical steps toward implementing the Comprehensive Recreational Trail Plan (Plan) by addressing primary trail issues in the Plan such as right-of-way acquisition, trail program implementation procedures, and specific trail recommendations. Also, because of recent interest in preserving access to trails in the North Pole area, specifically on Borough-owned land on Peede Road, the TAC is also supportive of a project to develop the Peede Road tract as a recreational trail park.

It is the TAC’s belief that having access to a local trail system woven throughout the Borough makes our community happier, healthier, more cohesive, and all around more attractive to live in and visit. Trails are popular with all kinds of outdoor enthusiasts and across all demographics. They are relatively low cost to develop compared to other recreational facilities and provide a high return on investment. Please consider recommending these capital improvement projects to the Borough Assembly so they may be added to the Capital Improvement Program.

Sincerely,

Carol Kaynor, Chair
Trails Advisory Commission
Fairbanks North Star Borough

Attachments:
1. Summary of past TAC recommendations regarding ensuring legal access to local trails in the Trail Plan, 2006 to present.
2. Trails Advisory Commission Project Funding Recommendations to Assembly, October 9, 2018
TO: Karl Kassel, Mayor, Fairbanks North Star Borough  
FROM: Carol Kaynor, Chair, Trails Advisory Commission, Fairbanks North Star Borough  
THROUGH: Bryant Wright, Trails Coordinator & Mike Bork, Director, Parks and Recreation Dept. 
DATE: October 9, 2018 
SUBJECT: Trails Advisory Commission Project Funding Recommendations to Assembly 

The Fairbanks North Star Borough (Borough) Trails Advisory Commission (TAC) has identified several recreational trail projects and actions for funding in order to sustain a viable recreational trail system within the Borough. A large segment of the community as well as visitors use recreational trails that includes those described the Borough’s Comprehensive Recreational Trails Plan. The TAC feels that the projects and actions are important quality of life issues for trail users, as well as an economic issue to the many businesses that cater to outdoor activities for such uses as hiking, skiing, dog-sledding, biking, snowmobiling, ATVing, running, and horseback riding, to name a few. The TAC urges you to incorporate the following projects and actions in the Borough budget and in requests to the Governor and State Legislature for Legislative funding:

- Trails Coordinator Position
  Our top priority is the continued funding of the trails coordinator position. The assistance and support that Bryant Wright, our trails coordinator, provides to the TAC is essential to our commission’s efficient and effective operation. On a much broader scale, this position is key to identifying trails, developing programs, and acquiring grants for trail improvements. We feel that the return on investment for Bryant’s position far exceeds the cost.

- Legal Protection
  Fund a non-lapping capital project to survey and establish trail easements and rights-of-way trails. Many important trails are not currently protected and are subject to closure.

- Mapping
  Provide maps of the trail system that identify location, legal status and use designations and make the maps widely available to the general public on the internet. This will help guide users to legal trails and reduce trespass issues.

- Signing
  Erect trail signs so that legal trails and trail use designations are more easily identified in the field. This will also help guide trail users to legal trails and also help reduce user conflicts.

- Education
  Educate the public on legal trail use to mitigate potential user conflicts and activities that result in trail damage and misuse of private property.

- Trail Improvements
  Fund trail improvements to encourage appropriate trail use by constructing reroutes where needed to avoid private property and to repair trail damage and mitigate erosion.

Specific Project Attachments:
  FNSB Trail Mapping, Signing, and Education Program
  100-Mile Loop Trail: Rosie Creek Area: Acquire, Survey, Realign, Construction, and Signage
  Chena Hot Springs Winter Trail Hardening Project
  Isberg Recreation Area Trail Hardening, East-West Trail Improvements
  Skyline Ridge-to-Goldstream Connector, Reroute, Access Control, and Signage
  Big Eldorado Creek Loop Trail Hardening, Drainage Control, Bridge Installation, and Signage
  Farmer’s Mine Trail Extension: Acquire, Survey, Realign, Construction, and Signage
  K2 Bridge: Acquisition and Installation across Goldstream Creek near Ballaine Road

Sincerely, 

Carol Kaynor, Chair 
Trails Advisory Commission 
Fairbanks North Star Borough
FNSB Trail Mapping, Signing, and Education Program

Project Cost Estimate: $150,000

Project Need Statement:
Within the Fairbanks North Star Borough there is a complex network of trails that cross over a multitude of properties. These properties are owned by various entities, including Borough Lands, individual property owners (both large and small), federal lands (including military lands and BLM lands), DNR lands, University Lands, Alaska Mental Health Trust Lands, mining claims and so on. These lands all have different management restrictions and are subject to various rights of ways and easements. It is very difficult for trails users to be knowledgeable of all the different rules, regulations and protocols for trail use. In addition to the general lack of knowledge about properties permissions and restrictions, it is often very difficult to discern where jurisdictions change, because property boundaries are often not marked and a general trail mapping system showing this is not available. Added to this are issues involving responsibilities for trail damages, and liabilities for both trail users and property owners.

Project Description:

Phase I:
Initiate a comprehensive effort to map existing trails. While some may argue that mapping trails that are not legally established is ill advised, we adhere to the counter argument that the public is better served if they are informed which of the physically existing trails have legal public access and which do not. We propose that the mapping effort be funded at $50 thousand per year until all trails are mapped.

Phase II:
Initiate a public education effort to make the public aware of trail issues and sources of information so trail users and property owners know their rights and responsibilities. It is proposed that this be done through a series of public service media announcements and development of printed materials to be made widely available on the internet and in print. We are seeking an initial $50 thousand grant to initiate this project phase.

Phase III:
We propose a program to mark existing public trails, and to mark property boundaries where trails cease to be public. This effort should be funded at a level of $50 thousand per year.
100-Mile Loop Trail-Cripple Creek / Rosie Creek Portion
Acquisition, Surveying, Realignment, Construction, and Signage

Project Cost Estimate: $150,000

Project Description:
This project includes portions of the trail along an 8-mile segment between the Parks Highway and the Tanana River near the Cripple Creek and Rosie Creek Subdivisions. It includes trail right-of-way acquisition, surveying, and trail re-alignment by constructing new trail to sustainable standards, and install trail signage.
Chena Hot Springs Winter Trail Hardening and Signage

Project Cost Estimate: $150,000

Project Description:
The Chena Hot Springs Winter Trail is a RS2477 Public R-O-W (aka RST#278). The project would consist of constructing a hardened trail on portions of the trail to sustainable trail standards in two phases, and include trail signage. Phase 1 is approximately 4-miles in length and would begin at the intersection with the Little Chena River, then continuing easterly to a point where it intersects with the Chena Lake Trail (aka RST#1598). Phase II is approximately 2.5-miles in length and would begin at the end of Phase I, then continue in an easterly direction to a point on a section line easement at Section 3, T15S, R3E, F.M.
Isberg Recreation Area East-West Trail Hardening

Project Cost Estimate: $150,000

Project Description:

This project proposes to restore and harden approximately 1,800 linear feet of degraded trail to connect the Oboe Court trailhead parking in the west with the upland trails on the park's east side. Isberg Recreation Area is home to miles of winter trails, but summer conditions are challenging. Access from the trailhead parking to the dry upland trails on the east side requires crossing low and wet terrain in the summer months. To make matters worse, this trail (one of the few proposed motorized/multiple-use trails outlined in the Recreation Area master plan) has suffered from severe rutting due to wheeled off highway vehicle use. This project will install a durable, gravel tread along the trail and drainage features at stream crossings. Multi-use summer access across the park will be both viable and enjoyable. The new surface will hold up to the intended uses, reduce trail braiding and allow natural vegetation to regrow along the trail corridor. Drainage features will protect the integrity of the trail and downstream water quality.
Skyline Ridge-to-Goldstream Valley Connector, Reroute, Access Control, and Signage

Project Cost Estimate: $90,000

Project Description:

The proposed Skyline Ridge-Goldstream Valley Access project intends to improve access to trails in the Goldstream Valley Public Use Area via the 470 acre Skyline Ridge Park. The project will build approximately 3,000 linear feet of new connecting trail and reroute the existing Skyline-Goldstream Connector around private property. A new 4,000 linear foot trail (Winter Loop) is also proposed to provide winter access from the Goldstream Connector directly to the Tanana Valley Railroad Trail. Trailhead and parking will be relocated out of the roadway at Noel & MIA and further into the park to improve safety. The first 100 feet of the trailhead will be realigned to lie within Borough park's property boundaries. Wayfinding signs and information kiosks are also proposed. This project improves direct access to three trails designated in the Borough's Comprehensive Recreational Trail Plan: Skyline Ridge Trail, Goldstream Valley Public Use trails, and the Tanana Valley Railroad trail.
Big Eldorado Creek Loop Trail Hardening, Drainage Control, New Bridge Installation, & Signage

Project Cost Estimate: $150,000

Project Description:
The Big Eldorado Creek Loop Trail is an RS2477 Public R-O-W (aka RST#1596). The project would concentrate on portions of 1,500-foot section of the trail located north of Goldstream Road, through an unnamed drainage. The trail has deteriorated to an unsafe and unsustainable level due to a tremendous increase in ATV use. This project would include rehabilitating damaged sections of the trail by hardening the trail to sustainable trail standards that would also include drainage control features, install a new bridge crossing, and install trail signage.
Project Cost Estimate: $200,000
Project Description:
For several years the Big Eldorado Creek Trail and the old Tanana Valley Railroad Trail near Ballaine Road were connected by a neighborhood-built wooden bridge over Goldstream Creek. This project would install a new bridge across Goldstream Creek to reconnect the two trails. The project would include a low-maintenance, fabricated fiberglass bridge plus plywood approach ramps on either side.
Farmer’s Mine Trail Extension
Acquisition, Surveying, Realignment, Construction, and Signage

Project Cost Estimate: $60,000
Project Description: This project addresses a 1.4-mile trail segment, marked in green, between the Equinox Marathon Trail and the Tri-Con Road below Ester Dome. The project would reroute trail users around the Alder Chute, which is steep, eroded and closed to public access by at least one landowner. It includes trail right-of-way acquisition, surveying, and trial re-alignment by constructing new trail to sustainable standards, and installing trail signage.
October 11, 2019

Bryce. J. Ward, Mayor
Fairbanks North Star Borough
PO Box 71267
Fairbanks, AK 99707-1267

Re: Fairbanks North Star Borough CIP Nominations
Letter of Support for Trails Nominations

Dear Mayor Ward:

At the Running Club North (RCN) annual meeting last evening, those in attendance reviewed information provided by Bryant Wright from the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) Parks & Recreation Department regarding the following nominations for trails and outdoor recreational capital improvement projects:

1. Public Access for Borough Community Trail System
2. Equinox Marathon Trail System Extension and Completion
3. Skyline Ridge and Goldstream Valley Trail System Connections
4. Isberg Recreation Area Master Plan Implementation
5. Peede Road Open Space: Access and Trail Development

As RCN President, I called for an advisory vote of the membership. It was unanimous: all attendees strongly supported these five nominated projects.

Running Club North, established for over 40 years, and with over 500 members is the sponsor of numerous trails runs, including the 57-year-old Equinox Marathon, the 54-year-old Gold Discovery Run and the eight event Northern Trails Series.

RCN has long supported trails as they offer not only recreational opportunities to communities, but also provide well documented advantages in terms of economics, health benefits, and overall quality of life. Fairbanks is fortunate to have established trail systems and these proposed trails projects will provide new opportunities for our community by upgrading and connecting existing trails systems and assuring long time access to our high value recreational areas.

Sincerely,

Gary H. Pohl, President
Running Club North

Cc Bryant Wright
September 28, 2018

RE: ASPA Support Letter for Skyline Ridge Park Project Grant Application

To Whom It May Concern:

The Alaska Skijoring and Pulk Association (ASPA) is a nonprofit organization that promotes recreational and competitive skijoring in the Alaskan Interior.

This letter is in support of the Skyline Ridge Park Project connector to the Goldstream Valley trails. We have had several skijoring events on the Goldstream Valley trails and look forward to being able to access the trails from the Skyline Ridge Trail. The additional parking would be greatly appreciated as parking is very limited right now.

We hope you will consider funding this project.

Regards,

Jamie Marschner,
President
Alaska Skijoring and Pulk Association
October 1, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Skyline Ridge Park – Goldstream Valley Access, 2018 Recreational Trail Program Grant Proposal

The Running Club North Board of Directors has reviewed information provided from the Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) Parks & Recreation Department regarding the proposed trails expansion and relocation at Skyline Ridge Park in Fairbanks. Our Board solidly endorses the FNSB grant request for funds to construct this project.

Skyline Ridge Park is a well-used, year-round community recreational asset. The proposed project will provide a connecting link to the Tanana Valley Railroad Trail in the Goldstream Valley Public Use Area and on State owned land and abandon a trail section that traverses private property. In addition, a new 10 space parking area would be constructed at the Noel Drive trailhead. Trail design and construction will be in accordance with sustainable trail design principles.

Trails offer not only recreational opportunities to communities, but also provide well documented advantages in terms of economics, health benefits, and overall quality of life. Fairbanks is fortunate to have established trail systems and the proposed Skyline Ridge Park project will provide new opportunities for our community by connecting existing trails systems and improving access to a unique ridgetop recreational area.

Running Club North hereby requests your support of the FNSB Parks & Recreation grant application for funds for the Skyline Ridge Park project.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Gary H. Pohl, President
Running Club North
Re: Skyline Ridge Park Project

To Whom It May Concern:

The Nordic Ski Club of Fairbanks supports efforts of the Fairbanks North Star Borough to improve trails and parking in Skyline Ridge Park.

Skyline Ridge Park is a beautiful and minimally developed neighborhood park that offers people a chance to recreate in an area close to town. The park has several trails that people use in a variety of ways, including skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, and biking. As much as Fairbanks skiers like the groomed trails at Birch Hill Recreation Area and the University of Alaska Fairbanks, many also like the chance to ski or otherwise recreate on ungroomed trails, including in this park.

An added advantage of Skyline Ridge Park is its location on a ridge. Many places near Fairbanks that offer ungroomed skiing are at lower elevations. During winter, temperatures can be considerably colder in these locations. Places at higher elevation, like Skyline Ridge Park, offer sometimes rare opportunities to exercise outside during cold spells.

We strongly support efforts to increase access to this trail through new trailhead parking and trail extensions. These improvements will serve great benefit to many members of our club, both in skiing season and during summer use.

Sincerely,

Steven Hansen
President
Nordic Ski Club Fairbanks