

**2014 Capital Projects
Eagle River Valley - Community Council Priority List
Municipality of Anchorage**

Area Wide - Parks and Recreation Projects

PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Multi-use Athletic Field Rehabilitation			\$600,000	\$0	\$600,000
	Scope:	Funds will be used to rehabilitate existing fields to a reasonable standard for all users and increase field amenities to offer quality statewide and local spectator and player use.				
	Need:	Athletic fields in Anchorage play an important role by promoting healthy recreational activities and helping young athletes develop positive life skills. They also play a significant role in statewide athletics. Anchorage is one location for the State Cup soccer competition, hosting statewide soccer tournaments sponsored by local soccer clubs as well as little league and adult softball tournaments that draw teams into Anchorage from around the region and the state. Accommodating the local and regional use of the athletic fields within the Municipality requires fields that can withstand intense use over the summer sports seasons. Past use has resulted in large ruts and depressions, exposed soil and stones, and other hazards that have the potential to cause serious injury to participants.				
	Status:	Anchorage has 110 athletic fields to serve the community and state needs for healthy sports activities. Funds will be used to rehabilitate existing fields to safe and current field standards.				
PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Storm Damage Clean-up: Forest Health and Park Safety			\$200,000	\$0	\$200,000
	Scope:	Funds will be used to conduct a follow-up risk assessment, develop a recommended strategy for species management (cottonwood, evergreen, birch), finalize a tree emergency plan and continue the clearing of hazard trees on parkland from the 2012 windstorm.				
	Need:	In September of 2012 more than 5000 trees were lost during a windstorm. Initial assessments estimate clean-up to be over 1 million dollars. The Anchorage Urban Forester's plan to address the damage include a mix of volunteer clean-up, commercial sales and contracted clean-up. Currently, park assets are safe for park and trail users, however as conditions change, follow-up risk assessment and clean-up is required.				
	Status:	Park Maintenance and horticulture crews have cleared parks and trails making current park assets safe for Anchorage citizens.				
PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Campbell Creek Greenbelt			\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,000,000
	Scope:	Asphalt repair, lighting assessment and improvements, bridge repair/replacement, signage improvements				
	Need:	Anchorage has over 250 miles of paved trails. Current infrastructure is outdated, unsafe and in need of repair. Trail use, both summer and winter, will continue to increase and safety and quality condition of trail infrastructure and amenities needs to be a priority.				
	Status:	Bond funding and State legislative grant requests are pending. Areawide greenbelt trails (Campbell Creek Greenbelt, Chester Creek Greenbelt Coastal Trail and Ship Creek Trail) need a repair program to address safety and security concerns (over 250 miles).				

Project Management and Engineering Projects

PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Birchwood/Chugiak/Eagle River Areawide Subsurface Aquifer Study			\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
	Scope:	This project will do a comprehensive study of the subsurface aquifers in the Birchwood-Chugiak-Eagle River area.				
	Need:	A majority of the developed properties in Birchwood-Chugiak-Eagle River rely upon on-site water well and septic systems rather than public utilities. Little is known of the location of all subsurface aquifers that serve these rural properties. Proper planning requires identification of the aquifers. Insufficient information can produce negative impacts on the health and environment as well as to the pocketbook. This study is included in the Chugiak-Eagle River Comprehensive Plan.				
	Status:	No work is underway. State grant funding is proposed.				
PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Birchwood-Chugiak-Eagle River Areawide Drainage Plan			\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000
	Scope:	This project will do a comprehensive study of the storm water drainage in the Chugiak-Eagle River area and make drainage plan recommendations.				
	Need:	Development in this region has produced a need for an areawide plan to handle future drainage needs. The last drainage plan was done in 1987. This project is the top ranked priority for the Birchwood Community Council.				
	Status:	No work is underway. State grant funding is proposed.				
PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	CBERRRSA Residential Pavement Rehab Senate Districts H & I			\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$0
	Scope:	This project will resurface local roads through reclaiming, overlaying, or rotomilling. Occasional spot dig outs and some curb repair work is also anticipated.				
	Need:	There were many roads in the district that were rated as Condition E or F in the last GASB survey. Resurfacing will extend the life of the road base. Resurfacing is far more cost effective than road reconstruction.				
	Status:	Design and construction funding provided with a 2012 state grant. This work will be managed by CBERRRSA.				
PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Citation Rd Upgrade - Eagle River Loop Rd to Eagle River Ln			\$8,000,000	\$0	\$8,000,000
	Scope:	This project will upgrade the road to urban standards including a new road base, curbs, pavement, drainage, street lighting, and pedestrian facilities.				
	Need:	This local road has never been constructed to urban standards.				
	Status:	State grant funding is proposed. This project is a priority for the Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board.				
PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Eagle River Area Snow Disposal Site			\$1,500,000	\$0	\$1,500,000
	Scope:	This project will construct a snow disposal facility serving the Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area (CBERRRSA).				
	Need:	The population growth and corresponding development in the Eagle River valley has produced a need for increased snow storage capacity. Using existing facilities is increasingly expensive as the trips made by dump trucks are greater and further.				
	Status:	No work is underway. However, a state grant has been requested.				
PRIORITY #				Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Eagle River Chugiak Road and Drainage System Rehab			\$0	\$0	\$0
	Scope:	Construct road and drainage improvements.				
	Need:	Road and drainage needs exist throughout the service area.				
	Status:	The Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board manages funding collected through property taxes for road and drainage improvements in their area. The local road board evaluates and prioritizes projects for funding. In addition, state grant funding is pursued annually.				

PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Eagle River Ln Pedestrian Improvements	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Scope:	Expand pedestrian facilities.		
	Need:	Existing pedestrian facilities are inadequate. This project is included in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.		
	Status:	No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. A state grant has been requested to fund design of a road upgrade which would address pedestrian needs.		
PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Eagle River Ln Upgrade - Eagle River Rd to Ptarmigan Blvd	\$4,400,000	\$0	\$4,400,000
	Scope:	Construct a two-lane facility that meets collector street design standards. Improvements are expected two include two driving lanes, pedestrian facilities, storm drains, street lighting, and landscaping.		
	Need:	This road has never been constructed to collector street standards. It serves Ravenwood Elementary School and a rapidly developing residential area. The existing street lacks pedestrian facilities and adequate street lighting. The slope of the road especially at the Ptarmigan Blvd pedestrian crossing is also a concern.		
	Status:	This project has not yet started. Funding is proposed as a combination of state grants and local mill levies.		
State Road Projects				
PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Eagle River Greenbelt Multi-use Trail - Glenn Hwy to Eagle River Nature Center	\$12,000,000	\$0	\$12,000,000
	Scope:	This project will construct a multi-use trail along the Eagle River Road corridor. It is anticipated that the trail will be separated from the roadway for most of its length. Trail lighting is expected with occasional benches and educational signs for users.		
	Need:	Eagle River Road is a narrow, winding two lane road with no pedestrian facilities. There is a high demand for recreational among non-motorized users along this corridor which is the only access to the popular Eagle River Nature Center and trailhead. This project is a priority for the South Fork Community Council.		
	Status:	This project has not started. This route is owned by the State of Alaska. Evaluation and prioritization for future funding will be done by the Alaska DOT&PF.		
PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Eagle River Rd Trail Rehab - Old Glenn Hwy to Mile Hi Rd	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
	Scope:	This project will rehabilitate the Eagle River Road Trail from the Old Glenn Highway to Mile Hi Road.		
	Need:	The existing trail is showing its age and is no longer cost effective to maintain.		
	Status:	No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state route and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.		
PRIORITY #		Estimated Cost	Funds on Hand	Additional Funds Required
	Eagle River Rd Upgrade - Old Glenn Hwy to Greenhouse Rd (MP5.3ish)	\$44,500,000	\$0	\$44,500,000
	Scope:	This project will upgrade Eagle River Road to urban standards regarding curbs, pedestrian, lighting, and capacity needs.		
	Need:	Future vehicle and pedestrian traffic may require the expansion of this facility.		
	Status:	No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.		