

# PROPOSED PROJECTS

# 1. Tour of Anchorage Trail Bridges (2 new bridges)

Remove and replace existing Tour of Anchorage Trail Bridges with new bridges upgraded to meet safety codes. These two bridges will be at least 10' wide with spans between 50' to 75' and will incorporate railings that meet current standards for safety railings on pedestrian bridges.

# 2. Blue Dot Trail Bridge

Remove old bridge and install new bridge to meet the character and experience of this Class 2 trail. The bridge will extend 70' to 75' across Campbell Creek with a width of 5' to 6' wide.

# 3. Tour of Anchorage Trail

Add gravel fill to improve the trail tread where roots are protruding from trail to level it to be consistent with past work on Tour of Anchorage Trail. Work to be completed from the south TOA Trail bridge to the new 48th Avenue Extension.

## 4. Dog Mushing Bridges

These trail bridges will meet the width needs of ASDRA - 10' wide with minimal railings and short spans across these narrower sections of creeks. One of the trail bridges is located to the west of Elmore Road along the dog sledding trail known as the Homecoming Trail. The second bridge is located out in the "Muldoon Swamp" area, the area east of Campbell Airstrip Road and south of Muldoon Road. This bridge goes over a narrow section of the Campbell Creek along the Beaver Dam Trail.

## 5. Bridge at North Gasline Trail

A new bridge is needed along the North Gasline Trail in order to cross over the Campbell Creek Trail. This will be a substantial new bridge along this trail in order to meet the proposed Trail Class 4 upgrades that are intended for this trail.

## 6. Grade Separated Crossing at North Bivouac Trailhead

Create a grade separated crossing via a tunnel connection under Campbell Airstrip Road to the North Bivouac Trailhead. This connection by tunnel makes sense related to the grade of the road and the lower elevation of the existing South Bivouac Trailhead. The South Bivouac Trailhead parking lot will require the removal of gravel and can be used for this tunnel project and revegetated to a small degree. The area can still be left open as a staging area.

# 7. Grade Separated Crossing at Campbell Airstrip Trailhead

With the upgrade of portions of the 2.5km Loop Trail and the 4.5km Loop Trail, this grade separated crossing will be needed in order to create a loop trail along this major trail 'trunk'. This separated crossing will also connect in well with the existing paved trail from the Campbell Airstrip Trailhead to the proposed trail improvements along Campbell Airstrip Road from the Rendezvous Trailhead.

## 8. Abbott Road Trail Improvements (to Trail Class 4)

Upgrade Abbott Road Trail from Birch Road overpass to the Hilltop Parking area. Currently, the Abbott Road Trail is a Trail Class 3 which needs to be upgraded to a trail Class 4 in order to develop it as a major trail 'trunk' that would be able to feed into the 'branches' of other trails.

# 9. Single Track Advocate (STA) Trails

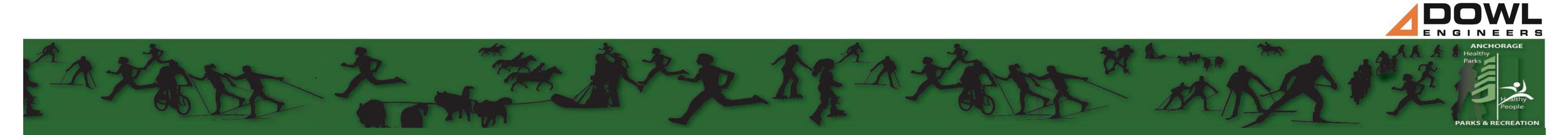
Design and develop single-track trails for mountain biking along the hillside, to the east of the Hilltop Ski Area. Single Track Advocates recently received approval from the Parks & Recreation Commission to build these trails. 8-10 miles of new single-track trails were started this summer for both intermediate and advanced riders. These trails will be open to the public this winter and the following summer for trail use.

## East Anchorage Connector – trail upgrades to Tank Trail and N. Gasline Trail 10.

The Tank Trail and the North Gasline Trail have been identified for improvements to create an East Anchorage connection up to the Hillside area. With these trails being classified as Trail Class 4 trails, a significant amount of upgrades will occur related to clearing and grubbing, selective tree removal, tread improvements, drainage improvements, and grading work.

## *Upgrade portions of 2.5km and 4.5km Loop trails to Trail Class 4* 11.

Improve portions of both the 2.5km Loop Trail and the 4.5km Loop Trail where they would connect from the North Bivouac Trailhead down to the Campbell Airstrip Trailhead. These two trails are proposed to be upgraded to a Trail Class 4 and a significant amount of improvements will occur related to clearing and grubbing, selective tree removal, tread improvements, drainage improvements, and grading work.



# FAR NORTH BICENTENNIAL PARK

## Designate Seasonal Trails related to Wildlife Habitat 12.

Designate trails for seasonal use only, such as Rover's Run/Mellan's Way; Salmon Run. Consider trail reroutes for trails that conflict with seasonal wildlife activity in the park. Promote bear safety education. Provide bear proof refuse containers at trailheads.

## 13. Paved Trail from Rendezvous Trailhead to existing paved trail along Campbell Airstrip Road.

Develop an alignment and roadside or road-separated trail from the Rendezvous Trailhead, just south of the Alaska Botanical Garden entrance, south to the paved roadside trail on the north side of the Campbell Creek.

### 14. New Classical Skiing Loop Trail

Create a new classical skiing only trail that would connect the Richter Loop Trail with the junction of the Bog Trail at the Junior Nordic Loop Trail. This would provide an additional classical skiing only loop that can be easily accessed from the Service High School Trailhead/Parking Lot.

New Trail Loops from Abbott Loop Community Park 15.

Develop trail loops for winter and summer use trails originating from the Abbott Loop Community Park Trailhead/Parking Lot. This would serve the community and neighborhood with an alternative trailhead with beginner-level mountain bike trails, beginner ski loops -providing the Junior Nordic Skiing program with shorter distance trails at a nearby trailhead.

Improvements to Campbell Airstrip Trailhead Parking Lot 16.

Realign the parking lot to follow a curvilinear layout with perpendicular parking on both sides of the lot. Boulders placed on either side of the lot will help define the parking lot and provide a significant staging area for trail users before entering the trail system.

Hilltop Parking Lot: Layout and Drainage Improvements 17.

Create a more efficient parking lot layout with improvements to the drainage in this parking lot. Add more definition to the parking lot area with more space for maneuvering vehicles in the winter time and horse trailers in the snow free months. Boulders can help define the parking area and create a staging area to the north of the parking lot. This relocated staging area moves trail users and organized activities (such as Jr. Nordic or high school cross country races) away from the existing trail system.

### Multi-Use Connector from Gasline/Spencer Loop area up to State Park 18.

Develop a one way multi-use connector trail, as a Trail Class 4, from the Gasline Trail/Spencer Loop intersection up to Chugach State Park and then back down to the Gasline Trail/Spencer Loop intersection. This trail is intended to follow the contours of the hillside and keep site lines open at trail intersections.

19. Designate Areas for No New Trail Development

Designate on park trail maps and for trail management, zones where no new trail development should happen. This designation provides areas for users such as naturalists, orienteering, birders, and equestrians to enjoy and explore with no new major trails developed in this area.

20. Lighted Trail Connection to the Hillside Loop Provide lighting along the trail connection from the Hillside Loop to the North Bivouac Trailhead for those residents in East Anchorage wanting to access the Hillside trails without having to drive around to Service High School or the Hillside Trailhead.

21. Hillside Trailhead Parking Improvements

Pave the Hillside Trailhead parking lot. This parking lot/trailhead is heavily used by trail users and needs to be improved to remove the large potholes and constant maintenance that it requires to re-grade and re-gravel the existing parking lot.

## Blue Dot Trail Connection to Smoke Jumper Trailhead (BLM) 22.

Make a connection from the Blue Dot Trail to the Smoke Jumper Trailhead via a new trail. The current connection out to Elmore Road at 66th Avenue will remain with this new trail being the primary connection to the trailhead and access point for most trail users.

## 23. Rendezvous Trailhead Improvements

Parking area to be widened and organized to accommodate 35 parking spaces. The trail from Tudor Road will be extended down to the Rendezvous Trailhead parking lot.

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- **BLM Ridge Tread and Trail Corridor Repair** 24.
- Spencer Loop Drainage Repairs 25.
- Black Bear Trail Drainage Repairs 26.
- Woodway Loop Clearing of deadfall/downed trees 27.
- 28. Moose Meadow Drainage Improvements
- Randy's Loop Tread Repair and Drainage Project 29.
- Moose Meadow Trail Drainage Repairs or Reroute 30.
- 31. Signage
- Trailhead Improvements at NE corner of park 32.



### FAR NORT PARK BICENTENNIAL

- 33. New Trail Loops from Abbott Loop Community Park
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- Possible Future Trailhead at DOT Maintenance Yard 35.
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- 37.
- Raised signal buttons at traffic signals for Equestrian users 38.
- *39*.
- Universal Access *40.*
- 41. Barriers

Neighborhood connector from Stuckagain Heights to Tank Trail/Gasline Trail

Neighborhood Connector from SW Park area Subdivision to Abbott Loop Community Park

Abbott Loop Community Park Improvements to Horse Trailer Off-Loading Area

Trail Grading Improvements at Trail into FNBP at Abbott Loop Community Park

