

# All Proposed Eagle River Valley Capital Projects

## Project Management and Engineering

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### Birchwood/Chugiak/Eagle River Areawide Subsurface Aquifer Study

Cost: \$500,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$500,000

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 the environment as well as to the pocketbook. This study is included in the Chugiak-Eagle River Comprehensive Plan.

Project scope: This project will do a comprehensive study of the subsurface aquifers in the Birchwood-Chugiak-Eagle River area.

Project Status: No work is underway. State grant funding is proposed.

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### Birchwood-Chugiak-Eagle River Areawide Drainage Plan

Cost: \$500,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$500,000

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.

Project scope: This project will do a comprehensive study of the storm water drainage in the Chugiak-Eagle River area and make drainage plan recommendations.

Project Status: No work is underway. State grant funding is proposed.

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### Citation Rd Upgrade - Eagle River Loop Rd to Eagle River Ln

Cost: \$8,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$8,000,000

Need: This local road has never been constructed to urban standards.

Project scope: This project will upgrade the road to urban standards including a new road base, curbs, pavement, drainage, street lighting, and pedestrian facilities.

Project Status: State grant funding is proposed. This project is a priority for the Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board.

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### Eagle River Chugiak Road and Drainage System Rehab

Cost: \$30,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$30,000,000

Need: Road and drainage needs exist throughout the service area.

Project scope: Construct road and drainage improvements.

Project 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.

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### Eagle River Ln Upgrade - Eagle River Rd to Ptarmigan Blvd

Cost: \$4,400,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$4,400,000

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.

Project scope: Construct a two-lane facility that meets collector street design standards. Improvements are expected to include two driving lanes, pedestrian facilities, storm drains, street lighting, and landscaping.

Project Status: This project has not yet started. Funding is proposed as a combination of state grants and local mill levies.

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### Eagle River Area Snow Disposal Site

Cost: \$3,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$3,000,000

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.

Project scope: This project will construct a snow disposal facility serving the Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area (CBERRRSA).

Project Status: No work is underway. State grant funding is proposed.

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### Eagle River Rd Upgrade - Old Glenn Hwy to Greenhouse Rd (MP5.3ish)

Cost: \$44,500,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$44,500,000

Need: Future vehicle and pedestrian traffic may require the expansion of this facility.

Project scope: This project will upgrade Eagle River Road to urban standards regarding curbs, pedestrian, lighting, and capacity needs.

Project 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.

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## Parks and Recreation

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### Forest Health and Park Safety

Cost: \$200,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$200,000

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.

Project 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.

Project Status: Park Maintenance and horticulture crews have cleared parks and trails making current park assets safe for Anchorage citizens.

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### Community Garden Site Selection and Design and Management Standards.

Cost: \$50,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$50,000

Need: The public demand for plots in MOA Community Gardens far exceeds the current availability. New community gardens have been identified in a number of newly completed park master plans. Funding will be used to develop new community gardens.

Project scope: Identify appropriate parks in the Anchorage Bowl where community garden development is appropriate. Create design and management guidelines to assist the department in building and maintaining community gardens.

Project Status: The department currently manages community gardens at The Gardens @ Bragaw, C Street Gardens, Fairview Lions and McPhee Gardens