

All Proposed Rabbit Creek Capital Projects

Project Management and Engineering

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1

Chugach State Park Access Improvements

Cost: \$500,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$500,000

Need: The population growth of Anchorage and the increased popularity of Chugach State Park have created safety concerns. The high volume of vehicles driving to and parking near existing park access points has overwhelmed the existing facilities. Users typically park in the roadway or on private property near the access points.

Project scope: Design and construct access improvements as identified in the Chugach State Park Alternate Access study.

Project Status: Construct recommendations from a study. State grant funding is proposed.

2

Hillside Plan & Projects for Fire Prevention & Mitigation

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need:

Project scope:

Project Status: This need is pending review by MOA

3

Golden View Dr Intersection and Safety Upgrades - Rabbit Creek Rd to Romania Dr (10-26)

Cost: \$34,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$7,500,000

Additional funds required: \$26,500,000

Need: This existing roadway is a narrow two-lane, strip-paved roadway with minimal pedestrian facilities, and inadequate drainage and lighting. This road serves Golden View Middle School and a large residential area. This project is a high priority for the LRSA, the school district, the Traffic Department, and the neighborhoods. It will improve safety by providing pedestrian facilities to separate pedestrians and bicycles from vehicle traffic.

Project scope: This project will upgrade this collector street to current standards. Improvements are expected to include a new road base, pavement, a drainage system, pedestrian facilities, turn lanes, street lighting, and safety upgrades at the Rabbit Creek Road intersection.

Project Status: 65% design documents for Phase I (Rabbit Creek Road to Ransom Ridge Road) submitted in July. Contract amendment for finalizing Phase I design documents is approved.

4

Potter Valley Rd Surface Rehab - Old Seward Hwy to Greece Dr (03-18)

Cost: \$3,500,000

Funds on Hand: \$300,000

Additional funds required: \$3,200,000

Need: Pavement is deteriorating and pavement rehabilitation will be required. The 2014 GASB survey rated the road surface as Conditions B, C, E, and F.

Project scope: This project will overlay or replace pavement on this collector street.

Project Status: The project is on hold pending further funding through state grants or local bonds. Fortunately the road is standing up better than expected so far.

5

Golden View Dr/Bufalo St/Elmore Rd/145th Ave Area Chip Seal Surfacing

Cost: \$200,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$200,000

Need: These gravel roads frequently have pot holes and contribute to Anchorage's air quality concerns.

Project scope: Resurface these roads with a chip seal.

Project Status: The project has not started. The project will remain on the needs list for future funding consideration.

6

164th Ave Upgrade - Golden View Dr to Betty St

Cost: \$3,900,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$3,900,000

Need: This is a dirt/gravel road with substantial slope. Sections of the roadway are not in the right of way.

Project scope: This project will move the roadway into the right of way and acquire easements/right of way as needed. The road will be upgraded to current local road standards including drainage improvements.

Project Status: This project has not started. State grant funding is proposed.

7

Little Rabbit Creek Flooding and Glaciation Improvements

Cost: \$0

Funds on Hand:

Additional funds required: \$0

Need: Due to development in the area, portions of Little Rabbit Creek are running steeper than before leading to erosion that is threatening structures.

Project scope: This project will construct stream bank and channelization improvements to reduce flooding and glaciation and improve fish habitat.

Project Status: No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. Project will remain on the Capital Project Needs List for future funding consideration.

8

Mountain Air Drive Extension

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: Creation of this connector has been a community development priority for years. 11 votes to add.

Project scope: Complete extension/connection of Mountain View Dr from current terminus to connect with Rabbit Creek Rd at Fire Station 10/ Bear Valley Community Council.

Project Status: This need is pending review by MOA

9

Golden View Dr Connection (West) - Romania Dr to Potter Valley Rd

Cost: \$15,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$15,000,000

Need: This connection will be a vital link in south Anchorage that will enhance traffic circulation in the area and promote safety. This collector connection is in the Official Streets and Highway Plan. This connection is vital for safety reasons because Golden View Drive to the north provides the only collector street egress from this large area of south Anchorage. It is a high priority for emergency services (police, fire, medical) and the Rabbit Creek Community Council.

Project scope: This project will construct a collector route between Romania Drive and Potter Valley Road. The exact route and scope will be determined in the design process which includes public involvement. Improvements are expected to include pavement, drainage, pedestrian facilities, lighting, traffic calming, and landscaping.

Project Status: The project area is included in the Hillside District Plan as a special study area. This study will occur before the project advances.

State of Alaska

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1

Golden View and Rabbit Creek Rd Intersection Improvement

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: This is the most trafficked intersection in the Rabbit Creek council area and also one of the more dangerous as cars coming uphill and downhill converge with the shoulder used by pedestrians and cyclists. This project was originally identified as a top priority in conjunction with the upgrades of Golden View Dr and Rabbit Creek Rd.

Project scope: Repair and improve intersection at Golden View Dr and Rabbit Creek Rd in conjunction with upgrade of RCR.

Project Status: This need is pending review by MOA

2

Rabbit Creek Road Center Groove Repair

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need:

Project scope:

Project Status: This need is pending review by MOA

3

Old Seward Hwy Rut Repair - Potter Valley Rd to Rabbit Creek Rd

Cost: \$3,600,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$3,600,000

Need: Pavement is deteriorating.

Project scope: Pavement overlay or replacement.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state-owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska. The route is designated as a collector in the Official Streets and Highways Plan (OS&HP).

4

Rabbit Creek Rd Upgrade - Seward Hwy to Golden View Dr

Cost: \$27,500,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$27,500,000

Need: This road has not been constructed to suburban arterial standards.

Project scope: While the scope has not been set, suburban arterial standards typically include a new road base, paved lanes and shoulders, pedestrian facilities, and street lighting.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state-owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska. The route is identified as a minor arterial in the Official Streets and Highways Plan.

5

Left Turn Lane from Rabbit Creek to Old Seward Highway

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need:

Project scope:

Project Status: This need is pending review by MOA

6

De Armoun Rd Upgrade Ph II - 140th Ave to Hillside Dr

Cost: \$28,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$28,000,000

Need: Drainage, pavement condition, lighting, and safety issues have been identified.

Project scope: The project scope is not set.

Project Status: Environmental and design work was completed by the State of Alaska. However, the project is being re-evaluated in light of public comment and future funding is uncertain. This is a state owned facility.

7

Elmore Rd at Rabbit Creek Rd Intersection Safety Improvements

Cost: \$0

Funds on Hand:

Additional funds required: \$0

Need: Safety concerns have been raised about this intersection.

Project scope: Construct safety improvements once clarified.

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 by the State of Alaska.

8

Old Seward Hwy Upgrade - Rabbit Creek Rd to Potter Valley Rd

Cost: \$30,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$30,000,000

Need: This road has never been constructed to urban collector standards. There are safety issues with this section of the Old Seward Highway as there is strong recreational use but a narrow road with no shoulders and no pedestrian facilities.

Project scope: While the scope has not been set, urban collector standards typically include a new road base, curbs, pavement, pedestrian facilities, storm drains, and street lighting.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state-owned facility and evaluation and funding would be by the State of Alaska. This route is designated as a collector in the Official Streets and Highways Plan (OS&HP).

Parks and Recreation

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1

Section 36 Park Improvements

Cost: \$400,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$400,000

Need: Section 36 is approximately 640 acres of new park in south Anchorage. Improvements are needed to provide residents with access and recreational opportunities.

Project scope: Funds will be used to begin trail development and complete access improvements.

Project Status: Section 36 uplands are in the process of being transferred to P&R management and will be formally dedicated. Additionally, we anticipate the master plan to be adopted by the Planning and Zoning Commission this year.

2

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.

3

Wayfinding

Cost: \$750,000

Funds on Hand: \$50,000

Additional funds required: \$700,000

Need: Wayfinding provides increased safety and an improved experience for the area wide trail system.

Project scope: Design, development and implementation of wayfinding for Anchorage's paved & soft surface trails.

Project Status: Anchorage has over 250 miles of trails and improved wayfinding will address safety and navigation concerns.

4

TAP - Transportation Alternatives

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: This project received 9 votes coming in 2nd behind a tie of Section 36 improvements and the Coastal Trail Erosion project. The costs of this project are minimal and would directly feed into the goal of Municipality to be the number one place to live, work, and play as well as developing non-automobile transportation options across the Muni and particularly in our council area where non-motorized or public transportation options are among the most limited anywhere in the Bowl.

Project scope: Add a new TAP project for Pedestrian Easement Development. The project would include funding for surveys and signs to allow for use of platted but undeveloped/unmarked pedestrian easements to enhance connectivity of neighborhoods as well as parks, schools, and commercial centers. This would also work to develop reasonable and non-burdensome standards for identification, development, and use of such easements.

Project Status: This need is pending review by MOA