

All Proposed South Fork Capital Projects

Project Management and Engineering

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1

Yosemite Dr Upgrade - Yellowstone Dr to Eagle River Loop Rd (13-36)

Cost: \$9,800,000

Funds on Hand: \$1,900,000

Additional funds required: \$7,900,000

Need: This road needs to be upgraded to comply with a recent court ruling.

Project scope: This project will upgrade the roadway to collector street standards, install storm drains, pedestrian facilities, and landscaping.

Project Status: PM&E is managing this project for the Anchorage School District. Contract negotiations are complete with Lounsbury. Design contract is under review. Design was funded with a 2013 state grant.

2

Yosemite Dr Area Drainage (07-54)

Cost: \$6,875,000

Funds on Hand: \$660,493

Additional funds required: \$6,214,507

Need: A study is needed to identify areawide solutions.

Project scope: The study phase will analyze drainage patterns, infrastructure needs, construction options, and project costs in an area east of the Glenn Highway, north of Veterans Memorial Highway, and west of Eagle River Loop Road.

Project Status: An NTP has been issued for USKH to complete the design. State grant funding is proposed for construction.

3

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, However, a state grant has been requested.

4

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. This project is the top ranked priority for the Birchwood Community Council.

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.

5

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.

6

Senate District M Local Road Rehabilitation

Cost: \$30,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$2,000,000

Additional funds required: \$28,000,000

Need: Many of the local roads in the Municipality are experiencing surface degradation. This issue manifests in cracking, pot holing, frost heaving, erosion of pavement edges, and separation between curb and asphalt.

Project scope: Resurface, primarily by reclaiming, local roads in Senate District F. Some drainage, grading, and curb work may be included as needed.

Project Status: State grant funding is proposed annually to fund this program.

7

Yosemite Dr Trail Overpass

Cost: \$900,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$900,000

Need: This project is a priority for the South Fork Community Council.

Project scope: This project will construct an overpass over Yosemite Drive to connect the Eagle River High School trails with the trails on the west side.

Project Status: This project has not started. There is no funding programmed in the current six-year Capital Improvement Program.

8

Hiland Rd Intersection Safety Improvements - South Creek Rd to South River Ln

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: Safety concerns have been raised regarding this intersection.

Project scope: This project will construct safety improvements at intersections along Hiland Road. The exact scope will be determined in the design phase with input from residents and the community council.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. Funding priorities set by Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board.

State of Alaska

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1

Hiland Rd Overlay - Eagle River Loop Rd to River View Dr

Cost: \$1,600,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$1,600,000

Need: This road surface is deteriorating to the point that safety and maintenance may be impacted. This project is the number 2 priority of the South Fork Community Council.

Project scope: Overlay the existing road surface and restripe.

Project Status: This project has not started. A state grant has been requested.

2

Glenn Hwy/Hiland Rd Interchange Expansion

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: Traffic, particularly left-turn movements, has increased to the point that congestion is increasing and safety is a growing concern.

Project scope: To be determined in the design study.

Project Status: A state grant was provided for preliminary analysis on the intersection needs. This is a state owned facility and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska. This project is included in the Glenn Hwy Lane Expansion.

3

Veterans Memorial Highway (Eagle River Loop Rd) Trail - Glenn Hwy to Eagle River Bridge

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: This section of trail is a missing link in the existing trail system and is identified in the Anchorage Trails Plan. Residents of Eagle River would like to see this section of trail constructed.

Project scope: Construct a multi-use trail parallel to Veterans Memorial Highway to link with existing trail on either end.

Project Status: This project has not started. This is a state-owned arterial route so evaluation and funding of the project would be through the State of Alaska.

4

Lower Hiland Rd Safety Improvements

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: Safety concerns have been raised in this area.

Project scope: Construct safety improvements to be identified in a design study effort.

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 through the State of Alaska.

5

Glenn Hwy Lane Expansion - Hiland Rd to Artillery Rd

Cost: \$65,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$65,000,000

Need: Traffic volumes have continued to climb on one of the busiest road segments in Alaska. Frequent incidents along the roadway slow traffic to inefficient levels. The Long Range Transportation Plan includes this project.

Project scope: This project would add an additional traffic lane in each direction to the Glenn Highway from Hiland Road to Artillery Road. This would include widening or replacing the two bridges crossing Eagle River. In addition, the interchanges with Hiland Road and Artillery Road would be evaluated and new ramps installed if beneficial.

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.

6

Eagle River Greenbelt Multi-use Trail - Glenn Hwy to Eagle River Nature Center

Cost: \$12,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$12,000,000

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.

Project 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.

Project 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.

7

Glenn Hwy Asphalt Study

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: This project is a priority for the Chugiak Community Council. Rutting on the Glenn Highway is a continual problem with safety impacts and maintenance expense.

Project scope: This project will conduct a study of the effectiveness of various pavement types to determine the best mix for the conditions of the Glenn Highway.

Project Status: This project has not started. This is a state-owned route so prioritization and funding will be done by the State of Alaska Department of Transportation.

8

South Fork/Hiland Rd Access Study

Cost: \$100,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$100,000

Need: The Hiland Road residential area has a single egress point. Limited access is a point of concern for residents, emergency responders, and the Municipality of Anchorage. The area is at risk for wildfire or other catastrophic event that would leave residents in a potentially hazardous situation. This project is a priority for the South Fork Community Council.

Project scope: This study would examine the access alternatives for the Hiland Road area.

Project Status: No work is underway or scheduled in the six-year Capital Improvement Program. Funding priorities set by Chugiak, Birchwood, Eagle River Rural Road Service Area Board.

9

Hiland Rd Upgrade - Stonehill Dr to River View Dr

Cost: \$6,400,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$6,400,000

Need: This road does not meet current standards.

Project scope: Hiland Road would be upgraded from mile post 2.2 to mile post 3.5. Improvements are expected to include pavement, curbs, storm drains, street lighting, and landscaping.

Project Status: No work is underway nor funding planned for this upgrade.

Parks and Recreation

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1

Eagle River High School Stadium

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

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.

Project scope: Survey, design and construction of a stadium to surround the existing athletic field and track.

Project Status: \$1.2M was appropriated as part of the FY14 Enacted Alaska State Budget and flowed through the Department of Commerce to the Anchorage School District (ASD). This \$1.2M portion is rolled up into the \$1.44M Stadium/Trails/Lighting/Equipment Unrestricted GF funding line. South Fork Community Council requests this project be tracked on the CIP list until complete.

2

Eagle River High School Trail Lighting

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: Trails in Anchorage and Eagle River play an important role by promoting healthy recreational activities. This lighting project will enhance year round safety for all Eagle River and Anchorage community members who utilize this trail system.

Project scope: Funds will be used to finalize engineering analysis, solicit public comment and install trail lighting near Eagle River High School on both sides of Yosemite Drive.

Project Status: Lessons learned from the Beach Lake Trails project have been and continue to be incorporated into this project. The first half of the funds (\$240K) are already in place with Eagle River Parks and Recreation. The second half of the funds (\$240K) are part of the FY14 Enacted Alaska State Budget and flowed through the Department of Commerce (this \$240K portion is rolled up into the \$1.44M Stadium/Trails/Lighting/Equipment Unrestricted GF funding line). Although construction is already underway, South Fork Community Council recommends maintaining this project on the CIP list until complete.

3

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 Foresters 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.

4

Dog Park Site Selection and Design and Management Standards.

Cost: \$75,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$75,000

Need: Anchorage residents love their dogs! Currently, Anchorage has 6 official dog parks, and one more in development. Only one park is completely fenced. There is demand for more fenced dog parks throughout the bowl. Funds will be used to systematically identify the next, most appropriate places to build dog parks. Additionally, this project will develop dog park design and management guidelines.

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

Project Status: The department just completed a small, fenced dog park at Arctic Benson Park. Another project is underway to formalize a fenced off-leash area at Valley of the Moon Park.
