

Final Abstract

Final Report Approved on June 30, 2023

M.L. 2021 Project Abstract

For the Period Ending June 30, 2023

Project Title: Southwest Minnesota Single-Track Trail

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Funding Source:

Fiscal Year:

Legal Citation: M.L. 2021, First Special Session, Chp. 6, Art. 6, Sec. 2, Subd. 09c

Appropriation Amount: \$190,000

Amount Spent: \$190,000

Amount Remaining: -

Sound bite of Project Outcomes and Results

A single track mountain bike trails have been created at Belmont Park just North of Jackson, MN! The grant allowed us to build 4-1/2 miles of natural surface biking trails in the unique terrain setting near the Des Moine River. Bikers riding the trails are pumped and thankful!!

Overall Project Outcome and Results

This grant built the first natural surface single track bike trail in Southwest Minnesota. The grant funded the building of over 4.5 miles of trails, which were created to add to the existing 0.75 mile grass trail which had been previously built by trail members. There is now a 0.75mile beginner trail to encourage new bike enthusiasts to experience riding in the trees. Trail Source, Inc. was the contractor who built the additional 4.5 miles of trails. We now have an intermediate level 1.3 mile riding trail that has several switchbacks and jumps and our signature "bobsled" portion, making it a thrill for bikers to go downhill making several turns. The trail was created in a way that riders could work their way back up hill and return to the "bobsled" or very easily ride the intermediate trail again to build up endurance and learn some jumps. The more advanced trail, which is 2.6 miles long and is located past the stream, gives riders quite the workout. It starts with several uphill switchbacks, then transitions to ups and downs with more jumps located throughout. The trail

ends with a nice ride along the Des Moines River with picturesque views.

Signs were installed to indicate the location of the park off of Highway 71. Picture in attachments. The driveway/parking area was improved and the roof on the shelter house was upgraded to metal. Our first event was our open house celebration of the trails on June 7th, 2023 and drew 47 visitors. Pictures in attachments.

Project Results Use and Dissemination

Several radio and newspaper articles were written about the improvements to the park. See example in attachments from BIKE MN Trails magazine.

Acknowledgment of funding from the MN Environment & Natural Resources Trust Fund has been made through radio, paper, social media such as Facebook and our county webpage, as well as on our entrance sign to the park. Already a dozen volunteers are assisting in maintenance of the trails in addition to our annual county parks budget. We are tracking the amount of bikers daily starting in July. The competitive bike team is searching for a coach.



Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund

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General Information

Date: September 9, 2024

ID Number: 2021-029

Staff Lead: Michael Varien

Project Title: Southwest Minnesota Single-Track Trail

Project Budget: \$190,000

Project Manager Information

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Project Reporting

Final Report Approved: June 30, 2023

Reporting Status: Project Completed

Date of Last Action: June 30, 2023

Project Completion: May 31, 2023

Legal Information

Legal Citation: M.L. 2021, First Special Session, Chp. 6, Art. 6, Sec. 2, Subd. 09c

Appropriation Language: \$190,000 the first year is from the trust fund to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with Jackson County to create a single-track mountain bike trail and expand an associated parking lot in Belmont County Park to address a lack of opportunity for this kind of outdoor recreation in southwest Minnesota.

Appropriation End Date: June 30, 2024

Narrative

Project Summary: Create a single track mountain bike trail in SW MN where there is a current need for such infrastructure to boost economic and lifestyle changes.

Describe the opportunity or problem your proposal seeks to address. Include any relevant background information.

This opportunity will create the "first of its kind" off road trail in SW MN. Currently one needs to travel up north to experience the thrill of single track. Biking in our community is a "life style change" that many residents in our area feel strongly about. A group called Friends of the Jackson County Trails began in 1998 and since then the addition of some concrete as well as many more miles of paved walking and biking trails have been built, totaling 14.5 miles!. We have been working three years now to make this project a reality. Some volunteer efforts for the beginner trail have been seen last summer with the opening up of the .60 mile easy beginner trail. Then we asked area biker to come out and "pack" the trails down while experiencing a small thrill of what actually will get built when the funding is obtained. School Districts, Businesses, and out of town newspapers are taking notice of our initiative to strengthen the community!

What is your proposed solution to the problem or opportunity discussed above? Introduce us to the work you are seeking funding to do. You will be asked to expand on this proposed solution in Activities & Milestones.

Location of trails would be Belmont Park, in Jackson County. Build to meet National Interscholastic Cycling Association (NICA) Standards. This would immediately bring our location in SW MN to be comparable to other single track places within greater MN. In communities such as Crosby, Ironton, and Riverton, MN.; the creation of Cuyuna Mountain Bike Trails have resulted in new businesses within the community getting established. This new location in SW MN's "own backyard" will cater to multiple areas in this region of the state. For starters, the local communities of Jackson and Windom will have the potential to create one or two local bike teams which will be able to train locally and then compete throughout the MN High School Cycling League held during the Summer and Fall months. Because we would be the only single track within an 80 mile radius; other communities such as Worthington and Fairmont, MN as well as Spirit Lake and Okoboji, IA would travel to use the park. Finally, visitors traveling and staying in our local campgrounds would benefit as this would provide another means of recreation for them to experience while here in SW MN. Support for project is great! No issues expected.

What are the specific project outcomes as they relate to the public purpose of protection, conservation, preservation, and enhancement of the state's natural resources?

Ensuring the building process goes according to plan so natural features at the park are preserved. When completed we will have met goals for bike users as well as hikers. Even those that like to recreate by snow shoeing, birds watching, and native flower sight seeing while enjoying the beauty of this 80 acre park set on a slight hill over looking the Des Moines River. Build a kiosk at the park which would share our counties conservation and preservation techniques; and develop on site learning activities for the mobile Prairie Ecology Bus Center which is located in Lakefield, MN.

Project Location

What is the best scale for describing where your work will take place?

County(s): Jackson

What is the best scale to describe the area impacted by your work?

Region(s): SW

When will the work impact occur?

During the Project

Activities and Milestones

Activity 1: Construction of SW MN Single track trail

Activity Budget: \$152,000

Activity Description:

The design of the proposed single track trails was completed by Gary Wegner in early summer of 2018. Funds were raised through a local grant to hire him and this will be a non-ENRTF .Public Support for bike trails at this location began at a public hearing on August 6, 2018. Comments were mostly positive and supportive of the project. The only concerns brought up was need for a larger parking lot and possible fence which would act as a screen for the nearby resident in nearby proximity of property. After this meeting the local trail group has advocated at other public community events and have gained additional support within the local as well as the regional. Grants were applied for in 2019 and again in 2020. Public is excited! No further issues expected. The scope of project when completed will be 6 miles of single track trail built through the entire 80 acre wooded property. Dependent on weather, construction of trails is expected to be six to eight weeks. Upon completion park staff will place the necessary trail signs and updated road signs promoting the new park amenities. The creation of 1-3 area school bike teams would then begin.

Activity Milestones:

Description	Approximate Completion Date
Chose building contractor for the construction of trails	July 31, 2021
Construction of trails	September 30, 2022
Install county designed signs on trails and at Park. Cost is only sign materials	October 31, 2022

Activity 2: Park Improvements

Activity Budget: \$38,000

Activity Description:

Address the needs of road and driveway in park. Current gravel driveway is narrow and to accommodate a rise in park usage a larger parking lot need to be shaped and graveled. Current open Shelter house needs the roof updated from old shingles to an all metal roof. Build new tables to replace the old ones. Upon completion of these projects we would through the Parks Budget advertise and promote our new multifunctional park within the state as well as nationally.

Activity Milestones:

Description	Approximate Completion Date
Build new picnic tables	March 31, 2022
Gravel for entrance road and parking lot area	June 30, 2022
Repair shelter house roof - replace with metal	June 30, 2022

Dissemination

Describe your plans for dissemination, presentation, documentation, or sharing of data, results, samples, physical collections, and other products and how they will follow ENRTF Acknowledgement Requirements and Guidelines.

We will advertise through local and multi state opportunities such as newspapers, magazines, radio, and on-line social media platforms. We will proudly create a sign with the trust fund logo and post at our park. Any single track publications our local trail committee makes for handling out will have the trust fund logo on it as well. Our community holds annual bike events such as the Sanford Tri For Health Triathlon, bike repair and give away days. We will continue to use trail monitoring counters to give us an accurate amount of trail usage as we currently do for our paved biking/walking trail throughout the county of Jackson. We will work with area schools to assist them in creating teams to train at our single track track. We will also work with our area health partners; those businesses such as Sanford Hospital to advocate for a healthy lifestyle change. Incorporating the opportunity to getting outside and riding a bike on our trails, then enjoying the natural surroundings our park has to offer. Our participation numbers for the above events would be documented and shared with county board every year as part of the annual parks report.

Long-Term Implementation and Funding

Describe how the results will be implemented and how any ongoing effort will be funded. If not already addressed as part of the project, how will findings, results, and products developed be implemented after project completion? If additional work is needed, how will this work be funded?

Location for the trails has been provided by the county in the form of an already owned 80 acre park. Equipment of grader and time of staff will be provided at counties expense for improving road access to park and shaping a larger parking lot. Funds generated by small grants and donations from local health representatives were given to Friends Committee to pursue a designer and pay for the design of trails. Continual trail maintenance will be funded by the county in there annual budget as well as an expected volunteerism effort from users of Park and Friends of Jackson

Budget Summary

Category / Name	Subcategory or Type	Description	Purpose	Gen. Ineligible	% Benefits	# FTE	Classified Staff?	\$ Amount	\$ Amount Spent	\$ Amount Remaining
Personnel										
							Sub Total	-	-	-
Contracts and Services										
Trail Source, Owner: Hunter Rust. Address: 25020 Yellowstone Trail Shorewood, MN 55331	Professional or Technical Service Contract	Responsible for building the single track trails within the park according to design. They will ensure trail meets (NICA) National Interscholastic Cycling Association Standards.				1		\$188,000	\$188,000	-
							Sub Total	\$188,000	\$188,000	-
Equipment, Tools, and Supplies										
	Tools and Supplies	Trail Signage	Sign Material: Posts, sign blanks, sign sheeting material and hardware					\$2,000	\$2,000	-
							Sub Total	\$2,000	\$2,000	-
Capital Expenditures										
							Sub Total	-	-	-
Acquisitions and Stewardship										
							Sub Total	-	-	-
Travel In Minnesota										
							Sub Total	-	-	-

Travel Outside Minnesota											
							Sub Total	-	-	-	
Printing and Publication											
							Sub Total	-	-	-	
Other Expenses											
							Sub Total	-	-	-	
							Grand Total	\$190,000	\$190,000	-	

Classified Staff or Generally Ineligible Expenses

Category/Name	Subcategory or Type	Description	Justification Ineligible Expense or Classified Staff Request
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Non ENRTF Funds

Category	Specific Source	Use	Status	\$ Amount	\$ Amount Spent	\$ Amount Remaining
State						
			State Sub Total	-	-	-
Non-State						
In-Kind	Friends of Jackson County Trails and a local Health Care Foundation	Initial Meeting with a Professional Trail Designer; Completion and Submittal of proposed single track mountain bike trail map of Belmont County Park	Secured	\$7,000	\$7,000	-
In-Kind	Jackson County Public Works	Engineering, Signage, and Gravel Placement for road into park as well as parking lot	Secured	\$4,700	-	\$4,700
In-Kind	Jackson County Engineer (Tim Stahl)	Responsible for project and contract administration, hydraulic review, plan and specification approval. Salary to be included in Public Works annual budget. 80 hours estimated time @ 97/hr. billable rate. 0.04FTE, 64% salary/36%benefits. (NO cost to grant)	Secured	\$7,760	\$970	\$6,790
In-Kind	Jackson County Assistant Engineer (Wes Liepold)	Responsible for surveying, plan preparation, specifications, and inspection. Salary to be included in Public Works annual budget. 160 hours estimated time @ \$56/hr. billable rate. 0.08FTE, 64%salary / 36% benefits. (NO cost to grant)	Secured	\$8,960	\$560	\$8,400
In-Kind	Jackson County Sign Technician- (Doug Dean)	Responsible for producing the trail signage using Jackson County equipment. Salary will be included in Public Works annual budget. 80 hours estimated time @ \$34/hr. billable rate. 0.06 FTE, 64% salary / 36% benefits. (NO cost to grant)	Secured	\$2,720	-	\$2,720
In-Kind	Jackson County Motor Grader Heavy Equipment Operator	Responsible for placing gravel for entrance road and parking lot. Salary will be included in Public Works annual budget. 8 hours estimated time @ \$34/hr. billable rate. Negligible FTE (NO cost to grant)	Secured	\$272	-	\$272
In-Kind	Jackson County Motor Grader	Equipment rental rate of 8 hours @ \$100/hr. (NO cost to grant)	Secured	\$800	-	\$800
In-Kind	Engineering Consultants	Hydrology and Hydraulic design of drainage features. Selected by qualifications	Secured	\$5,000	-	\$5,000
In-Kind	Jackson County Parks & Trails Supervisor- (Jeremy Bartosh)	Responsible for inspecting work and site safety while building contractor is present.	Secured	\$1,080	\$900	\$180

		40 hours estimated time @ \$27/hr. billable rate. 64% salary / 36% benefits.				
In-Kind	Parks Operating Budget	Access and Parking lot improvements including gravel, parking bumpers, and time and equipment	Secured	\$25,000	\$25,000	-
In-Kind	Parks Operating Budget	Rebuild picnic table and paint / stain	Secured	\$4,000	\$1,800	\$2,200
In-Kind	Parks Operating Budget	Re-roof shelter house- remove shingles and apply metal roofing	Secured	\$9,000	\$9,000	-
			Non State Sub Total	\$76,292	\$45,230	\$31,062
			Funds Total	\$76,292	\$45,230	\$31,062

Attachments

Required Attachments

Visual Component

File: [20935800-9e8.pdf](#)

Alternate Text for Visual Component

Map of 80 acre property with proposed layout of trails...

Board Resolution or Letter

Title	File
map of proposed access to park and new parking lot	32529169-3f0.pdf

Supplemental Attachments

Capital Project Questionnaire, Budget Supplements, Support Letter, Photos, Media, Other

Title	File
Letter of Support from the city of Windom, MN	8ed8749a-112.pdf
Letter of Support from Jackson County Board	72d83266-f22.pdf
Letter of Support from the City Administrator of Jackson, MN	2a9f5c7d-b6e.pdf
Letter of Support from area Bike Shop Owner in Fairmont, MN	3ef8562c-21c.pdf
Letter of Support from tri-county health organization	996873d1-daa.pdf
Letter of Support from MN High School Cycling League	f0a5fdc8-4ee.docx
Letter of Support from Jackson Chamber of Commerce	5f822a0d-ddd.pdf
Letter of Support from Professional Trail Designer	595116ed-d02.pdf
Letter of Support from Sanford Health Area Business	6182cff9-7d2.pdf
Letter of Support from our local State Representatives	d9f198dd-941.pdf
Map of proposed parking lot	99a46809-ba2.pdf
Background Check Certification Form	324599ef-d1c.pdf
Shelter house before pic	2bcae06e-a5d.jpe
Shelter house after improvements	644881a5-736.jpe
Trail Construction Pic 1	02c4e269-c5a.jpe
Trail Construction pic 2	cd9cb4d2-717.jpe
Grand Opening Flyer	f635f904-fee.docx
MN Trails Spring 2023 Magazine Article	df8b8168-e51.pdf
Drone Video of Single Track Intro at Belmont	f8c8b742-20e.docx
Belmont Open House	8c4a3538-89d.jpe
Belmont Open House Pic #2	b03f856e-ed5.jpe
Belmont Open House Pic #3	7fac8ae1-d2d.jpe
Belmont Open House Pic #4	438d9bf9-f3f.jpe
Belmont Park Single Track Trails Map	616e5b4f-11d.png
Newspaper article of Open House. Page 1	0998b8d2-47d.pdf
Newspaper Article of Open House. Page 2	93e8d148-10e.pdf
email of thanks	5674dc03-2e1.pdf

Difference between Proposal and Work Plan

Describe changes from Proposal to Work Plan Stage

The main changes are updated start times and end times for construction of trails and other milestone projects. Answer to question in Activity #1 and added picture of parking lot under board resolutions. Removed \$10,000 from Budget page under Non ENRTF Funds as this was a separate grant which we did not get from the beginning of this process.

Additional Acknowledgements and Conditions:

The following are acknowledgements and conditions beyond those already included in the above workplan:

Do you understand and acknowledge the ENRTF repayment requirements if the use of capital equipment changes?

N/A

Do you agree travel expenses must follow the "Commissioner's Plan" promulgated by the Commissioner of Management of Budget or, for University of Minnesota projects, the University of Minnesota plan?

N/A

Does your project have potential for royalties, copyrights, patents, sale of products and assets, or revenue generation?

No

Do you understand and acknowledge IP and revenue-return and sharing requirements in 116P.10?

N/A

Do you wish to request reinvestment of any revenues into your project instead of returning revenue to the ENRTF?

N/A

Does your project include original, hypothesis-driven research?

No

Does the organization have a fiscal agent for this project?

No

Work Plan Amendments

Amendment ID	Request Type	Changes made on the following pages	Explanation & justification for Amendment Request (word limit 75)	Date Submitted	Approved	Date of LCCMR Action
1	Amendment Request	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget - Professional / Technical Contracts • Budget - Capital, Equipment, Tools, and Supplies • Budget - Non-ENRTF Funds Contributed 	Due to needing to bid trail project to meet MN Prevailing wage requirements, the amount of trails we were planning to be built for the asked amount of \$150,000 is now significantly less. We would like to remove majority of funds for roof and roadway improvements and allocate those funds in the amount of \$38,000 towards building more trails.	May 20, 2022	Yes	June 1, 2022
2	Amendment Request	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget - Professional / Technical Contracts 	Needed to add the name of the trail building company which was awarded the bid to do the single track trail building at Belmont Park this Summer and Fall or 2022.	December 14, 2022	Yes	December 14, 2022
3	Completion Date	Previous Completion Date: 07/31/2023 New Completion Date: 05/31/2023	Project is complete and ready to complete final report	June 13, 2023	Yes	June 13, 2023

Status Update Reporting

Final Status Update July 28, 2023

Date Submitted: June 26, 2023

Date Approved: June 27, 2023

Overall Update

Its Completed! The first single track trails serving the most southwestern corner of the state is ready to ride. Please visit www.co.jackson.mn.us or call the Jackson County Parks Office for riding conditions prior to your trip at 507-849-7251.

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This activity was previously marked complete.

(This activity marked as complete as of this status update)

Activity 2

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We will continue to promote and encourage youth in a multi county area to consider participating on a local competitive mountain bike team through the MN Cycling Association. We have been in contact with local school districts encouraging them to let us provide basic bike maintenance and riding skills as a piece of their physical education curriculum.

Status Update Reporting

Status Update June 1, 2023

Date Submitted: June 1, 2023

Date Approved: June 15, 2023

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Status Update Reporting

Status Update December 1, 2022

Date Submitted: December 14, 2022

Date Approved: December 14, 2022

Overall Update

Construction of the trails this past Summer went well and we were fortunately not hampered by severe weather. With word spreading that construction was finally occurring and my role everyday supervising the contractors on-site, I was able to meet several locals and visitor to the park. Some were hikers. Many were bikers. Some just enjoy the remoteness that this park provides. Other were Morel mushroom seekers and bird watchers. Additional time this upcoming Winter will be spent promoting and working with area entities such as schools and the area Ecology Bus Center in Lakefield, MN to encourage activities at the park. Kiosk to be built before Spring Grand Opening of park. Pictures attached!

Activity 1

4.37 Miles of single track mountain bike trails were constructed by Trail Source during the months of May through September, 2022. Local Jackson bike group installed brown fiberglass trail markers indicating names of trails and alerting bike riders of jumps and turns in October. A local bike team was formed in its initial year called the West Fork Composite. The team competed in several of this seasons MN Cycling Associations races throughout the state. The team as well some local bike enthusiasts did late Fall get to experience the new trails which were built out at Belmont. Because of some dry conditions late Summer some additional trail work will need to be finished in the spring of 2023 prior to our grand opening of the park. Detailed Maps, park signs and kiosk to be completed during the winter.

Activity 2

A new roof was installed on the shelter house. A new hand pump was installed which provides fresh water for cleaning. The turn around area inside the park was widened a bit in the Fall. Additional work on the roadway into park and creating parking stalls for visitors will be finished late Spring 2023.

Dissemination

We will be advertising the opening of our park through through some magazines this upcoming Winter and Spring. MN Trails Magazine will be featuring a write in there Spring magazine coming out in April 2023. We have had success in volunteers wanting to help assist with trail maintenance next year.

Status Update Reporting

Status Update June 1, 2022

Date Submitted: May 20, 2022

Date Approved: June 1, 2022

Overall Update

Our local Friends of Jackson County Trails group and the local towns surrounding Belmont Park have been looking forward to 2022 and seeing the construction start for the single track trails. With construction slated to begin this week it is finally here! Was decided to apply for an amendment so projects originally slated for Activity 2 in project would be absorbed by county funds so additional money could be allocated for the completing of the trails .

Activity 1

Trail contractor has a scheduled start date of May 20th, 2022

Activity 2

Building new picnic tables has been completed. Roof replacement for shelter house is scheduled to occur before June 28, 2022. Parking areas have been established and final gravel will be applied after trail contractor is finished with building trails.

As outlined in our proposed amendment, the above items will be removed from the grant total so additional money can be used on completion of more trails

Dissemination

We have updated our county web page to include the "LCCMR loon logo" and indicate that upcoming trail work will be beginning in 2022 thanks to a grant received from the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund. In a recent May newsletter publication with the local Jackson Pilot newspaper, recognition of where funds were coming from for the building of single track trail at Belmont occurred during an interview/ update on county parks activities this summer. We have just received a sign which will be posted near park later this month. A local bike team has been organized from the area to start training in July and compete as a team this Fall through the MN Cycling Association. Other local training events through the local school district has been scheduled.