

Countywide Trail Development – Phase I

Requesting Department/Division: Parks and Recreation Commission
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Estimated Start Date: July 2008
 Est. Completion Date: June 2012

Project Category: Land Acquisition & New Construction

Project Status: Active Project
 Project Number: PR0005

Project Description, Justification and Location

Provide for the first phase of a trail system to follow the Tyger River system on the western side of Spartanburg County. Phase I would afford over four (4) miles of trails to be placed in the sewer right-of-ways, which are already graded and cleared. A ten (10) foot wide paved path will be placed in this corridor that follows the Tyger River(s). This trail would meet specifications for handicapped accessibility. The construction of paved walking trails through these right-of-ways will allow visitors to walk, run, skate, ride bikes, etc. along the Tyger River.



Benefits to Residents, Visitors, Businesses, or County Employees

This proposed project will allow regional residents and visitors to Spartanburg County access to this beautiful part of the county. The project will also offer opportunities for people utilizing the trail system to become active, enriching their lives and improving their health, and promote eco-tourism in the region. Additionally, this project will allow the County to preserve and recognize the value of our natural resources, add additional passive recreation outlets, and offer nature oriented activities.

Impact on Annual Operating Budget

There would be no impact on the annual operating budget until fiscal year 2011/12. Once constructed, a truck, trailer, utility vehicle, and two mowers would be necessary for maintenance of the trail system. Two (2) additional turf grass technicians would be necessary to maintain the entire trail corridor and related access points, including the property acquired through the waterway land acquisition project. The cost of these two employees to SCPRC would be approximately \$78,400 (\$39,200 each) annually. In addition, operating costs for supplies, fuel, training, etc. would be \$21,300 annually.

Project Status (as of April 1, 2009)

Staff proceeding with land acquisition and design work.

Project Expenditures and Funding Sources

PROJECT	TOTAL PROJECT COST	COMMITTED FUNDING	FY 2009/10	FY 2010/11	FY 2011/12	FY 2012/13	FY 2013/14	FY 2010-14 Totals
PARKS & RECREATION								
Countywide Trail Development								
<u>Expenditures</u>								
Planning/Design/Engineering	100,000	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Land Acquisition/Right-of-Way	900,000	200,000	500,000	100,000	100,000	0	0	700,000
Construction/Improvements	1,300,000	0	500,000	400,000	400,000	0	0	1,300,000
Capital Materials/Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Technology Expenditures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	2,300,000	300,000	1,000,000	500,000	500,000	0	0	2,000,000
<u>Revenues</u>								
Federal Transportation Enhancement Grant	100,000	100,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hospitality Tax	200,000	200,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hospitality Tax - COPs Issue	2,000,000	0	1,000,000	500,000	500,000	0	0	2,000,000
Total Revenues	2,300,000	300,000	1,000,000	500,000	500,000	0	0	2,000,000