

All Proposed Eagle River Valley Capital Projects

Project Management and Engineering

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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. State grant funding is proposed.

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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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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.

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Eagle River Ln Pedestrian Improvements

Cost:

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required:

Need: Existing pedestrian facilities are inadequate. This project is included in the Anchorage Pedestrian Plan.

Project scope: Expand pedestrian facilities.

Project Status: No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. A state grant has been requested to fund design of a road upgrade which would address pedestrian needs.

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.

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.

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.

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.

State of Alaska

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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

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Eagle River Rd Trail Rehab - Old Glenn Hwy to Mile Hi Rd

Cost: \$1,000,000

Funds on Hand: \$0

Additional funds required: \$1,000,000

Need: The existing trail is showing its age and is no longer cost effective to maintain.

Project scope: This project will rehabilitate the Eagle River Road Trail from the Old Glenn Highway to Mile Hi Road.

Project Status: No work is currently scheduled in the 6-year Capital Improvement Program. This is a state route and evaluation and funding would be through the State of Alaska.

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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.

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 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.

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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.
