The Black Hills Mountain Bike Association (www.bhmba.org) is requesting approval to build a Dirt Jump Bike Park on City Park's land. BHMBA has already cleared major amounts of brush, deadfall and debris from the location, improving access, safety and water flow (in event of a flood). A user-built bike trail and jump area has existed in the area for years. Our park will clean up the area even more, provide a safe activity and displace drug use and homeless occupation of the site. The construction of the park calls only for moving existing dirt around, no additional dirt will be hauled in, so the overall volume will remain the same.

FMG Engineering with professional trail builder Ben Blitch have prepared our drawings. The Flood plain Development permit has been granted already. The jumps and berms will be site-fit as construction begins, so the attached drawings will also serve as our grading plan. Less than an acre of ground will be disturbed, and an approximately 15 foot buffer will be left undisturbed along the small creek that surrounds the property to mitigate run off. The small creek also settles into a large pond before emptying into Rapid Creek. Additional siltration fence can be installed as needed during construction. Ultimate dimensions of the features may vary.

Signage will be placed at the access point instructing user's of potential hazards. This will be worded similarly to the Rapid City Skate Park (a very similar Park). Jerry Cole of Rapid City Parks is developing a MOU between RC Parks and BHMBA for ongoing maintenance and use of the Dirt Jump Park.

Tim Behlings and Brad Booth (RCFD and RCPD) are aware of the project and approve of our planned access point for access/extraction should EMS or Police be needed.

Parking will be used at Founder's Park, Sioux Park and the 10 City owned spaces west of Abourezk Law. The majority of users will be minors riding in on their bicycles from all parts of the City. The Bike Path access is ideal.

Disturbed soil will be replanted with native grass. The trail and jump surfaces will be wetted and compacted, the soil in the location is ideal. Clay soil will behave like concrete, and dust and run off will be minimal.

This park will be used for recreation by kids to adults. It will provide for progression and a safe environment for bicyclists to improve their skills. It will be an access point/trailhead to the Hanson/Larson and Lein Family Parks. City Parks will use the park for the Black Hills Fat Tire Festival and for Outdoor Recreation courses. Similar to the Rapid City Skate Park, it may occasionally be used for contests.

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