

## CITY OF RAPID CITY

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## Rapid City Bike Path Restoration and Rapid Creek Bank Stabilization, Project No. PR 14-6118

The Bike Path along Rapid Creek has three areas in need of significant repairs due to the creek undercutting the banks along the bike path and major concrete damage. These locations are at Cambell Street adjacent to Billion Kia, Pennington County Fairgrounds, and the Cleghorn Fish Hatchery. Parks and Recreation is working with Ferber Engineering, Inc. on the acquisition and design plans for these areas.

- The Cambell Street location at Billion Kia requires easement acquisition from a private landowner, of which an agreement has not been reached; cost of permanent and temporary easements is approximately \$10,000.
- The Cleghorn Fish Hatchery location requires easement acquisition from the State of South Dakota. Easement documents are currently under review and a transfer is anticipated at no cost.
- The Pennington County Fairgrounds location design has been modified after monitoring impacts from the high flows of Rapid Creek this spring. This location is on City property and does not require any easements.

The current budget for this project is \$50,000:

\$25,000 for Planning and Design – Parks & Recreation CIP, Bike Path Improvements

\$10,000 for Easements/Acquisitions - Parks & Recreation CIP, Parkland Acquisition

\*\$125,000 for Construction – Parks & Recreation CIP, Bike Path Improvements

An appropriation of \$100,000 from the Western Area Power Association easements is anticipated to supplement the available \$25,000 construction budget during the next appropriation period.

Construction on this project is anticipated to be early 2016.

## Bike Path Maintenance Repairs

Parks & Recreation Maintenance Staff are also in the midst of repairing sections of concrete throughout the 8mile bike path and greenway system.

A 300 foot section near Whitehead Fields along Canyon Lake Drive was completely removed, widened and repaved. The wet weather has been slowing progress down, but the crew will move to Roosevelt Park and work their way west to repair the most serious areas along the most high-traffic areas of the path.

The current budget for this project is \$20,000 from Parks Operating/Maintenance Budget and work will be ongoing at various locations throughout the summer and fall.