

Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF)

M.L. 2020 ENRTF Work Plan (Main Document)

Today's Date: August 14, 2019

Date of Next Status Update Report: April 2021

Date of Work Plan Approval:

Project Completion Date: June 30, 2021

Does this submission include an amendment request? NO

PROJECT TITLE: ROCORI Trail Phase 3

Project Manager: Kevin Mooney, Board Chair for the Rocori Trail Construction Board

Organization: Rocori Trail Construction Board Mailing Address: 229 Broadway Street East City, State, Zip Code: Rockville, MN 56369

Project Manager Direct Telephone Number: 320-333-5943

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Web Address: NA

Location: Central Region, County of Stearns, Cities of Richmond, Rockville and Cold Spring

Total Project Budget: \$1,200,000

Amount Spent: \$0 **Balance:** \$1,200,000

Legal Citation: M.L. 2020, Chp. xx, Sec. xx, Subd. xx

Appropriation Language:

PROJECT STATEMENT:

The Rocori Trail Construction Board (RTCB) is applying to the LCCMR for funds to complete the design and construction of Phase 3 (2.3 miles) of the Rocori Trail. The trail will be constructed on the former BNSF railroad corridor along Trunk Highway 23 in Stearns County and will connect the cities of Richmond, Cold Springs, Rockville and two adjoining Townships. The entire Rocori Trail corridor is owned by the Rocori Trail Construction Board. Upon completion of Phase 3, the trail will be approximately 7 miles long, 10 feet wide, paved and ADA compliant (See attached map). Phases 1 and 2 have been completed with local, state and federal dollars.

The primary users of the Rocori Trail will be pedestrians, bicyclists, roller bladers and will be accessible for wheelchair use in and around the cities of Richmond, Cold Springs, Rockville, the Townships of Wakefield and Munson, and most of Stearns County. The Rocori Trail is also connected to the Glacial Lakes State Trail that runs approximately 50 miles from Willmar to Richmond. Future links include connections to the Lake Wobegon Trail (St. Joseph/Todd County), Central Lakes Trail (Fergus Falls/Alexandria), Lake Koronis Trail (Paynesville) and Beaver Island Trail (St. Cloud) which would create over 100 miles of trail connectivity to the region.

The Rocori Trail provides connections to many area features/attractions along the trail route including recreational facilities, historical and natural resources, elementary and secondary schools, commercial, industrial, and retail businesses, and specifically, the Sauk River, Historic Downtowns, Cold Spring Dam and Falls, Scenic and Recreational Parks, Rockville Granite Quarry, Eagle Park, Scenic Rural Countryside Vistas and the Rockville County Park.

The planning, design and construction of the Rocori Trail has been a collaborative effort with support from the Rocori Trail Committee, City of Rockville, City of Cold Spring, City of Richmond, Stearns County, MN DNR, National Parks Service, Parks and Trails Council of Minnesota, the Rocori Area Community Foundation, Schools, and the residents of the participating communities.

The total estimated cost of Phase 3 of the Rocori Trail is estimated to be \$2,377,270. The RTCB has expended \$365,000 to date on the project. The RTCB received \$812,270 from the MN Department of Transportation through its FY'21 Transportation Alternatives Program eligible for construction and is requesting \$1,200,000 from the LCCMR for the balance of the project cost.

II. OVERALL PROJECT STATUS UPDATES:

First Update April 1, 2021

Final Report between project end (June 30) and August 15, 2021

III. PROJECT ACTIVITIES AND OUTCOMES:

ACTIVITY 1 Title: Project Engineering

Description: Complete Design of Trail, Obtain Wetland Permitting and Mitigation, Conduct Construction Materials Testing, Staking, Inspection, and Construction Administration of Phase 3.

ACTIVITY 1 ENRTF BUDGET: \$308,270.00

Outcome	Completion Date
Completion of Plans and Specifications	August 2020

Outcome	Completion Date
2. Final Design Review	September 2020
3. Completion of Bidding Documents	November 2020

First Update April 1, 2021

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ACTIVITY 2 Title: Project Construction

ACTIVITY 2 ENRTF BUDGET: \$891,730.00

Outcome	Completion Date
1. Project Bid	January 2021
2. Construction Start	May 2021
3. Construction Completed	June 2021

First Update April 1, 2021

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IV. DISSEMINATION:

Description:

Each Municipality will post the following on all their respective websites that refer to the Rocori Trail.

The Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) will be acknowledged through use of the trust fund logo or attribution language on project print and electronic media, publications, signage, and other communications per the ENRTF Acknowledgement Guidelines.

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V. ADDITIONAL BUDGET INFORMATION:

A. Personnel and Capital Expenditures

Explanation of Capital Expenditures Greater Than \$5,000:

The expenditures for the project will take place in two phases, the completion of the design of the project, the permitting and environmental review, soil and material testing and approval and completion of the bid documents will be the first phase of the capital expenditure.

The second phase of expenditures will be the related to the actual construction of the trail. It will commence with the bidding process and awarding the bid, through the construction contracting and end with the substantial completion of construction of the trail.

Explanation of Use of Classified Staff: Not Applicable

Total Number of Full-time Equivalents (FTE) Directly Funded with this ENRTF Appropriation:

Enter Total Estimated Personnel Hours for entire duration of project: Not Applicable	Divide total personnel hours by 2,080 hours in 1 yr = TOTAL FTE: Not Applicable

Total Number of Full-time Equivalents (FTE) Estimated to Be Funded through Contracts with this ENRTF Appropriation:

Enter Total Estimated Contract Personnel Hours	Divide total contract hours by 2,080 hours in 1
for entire duration of project:	yr = TOTAL FTE:

VI. PROJECT PARTNERS:

- A. Partners outside of project manager's organization receiving ENRTF funding SEH Engineering, Material and Soil Testing Firm, the awarded General Contractor for Construction
- B. Partners outside of project manager's organization NOT receiving ENRTF funding City of Richmond, City of Cold Spring, City of Rockville, Stearns County, Minnesota Department of Transportation, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Rocori Area Community Foundation

VII. LONG-TERM- IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING:

The operation and maintenance of all phases of this project is under the auspices of the Rocori Trail Construction Board (RTCB) and the cities of Richmond, Cold Springs, and Rockville have agreed to share on the maintenance for the RTCB for a minimum of 20 years. The trail will be constructed with materials that require a low level of maintenance over the next 20 years. The cities annually evaluate the condition and operations of the trail. Seasonal maintenance (mowing, weed control, sweeping, trail repair, etc.) is estimated to be \$15,000 annual for all three phases of the project. This will be a line item in each of the cities' annual budget.

VIII. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

- Project status update reports will be submitted April 1 and October 1 each year of the project
- A final report and associated products will be submitted between June 30 and August 15, 2021

IX. SEE ADDITIONAL WORK PLAN COMPONENTS:

- A. Budget Spreadsheet
- **B. Visual Component or Map**

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- C. Parcel List Spreadsheet
- D. Acquisition, Easements, and Restoration Requirements
- E. Research Addendum

Attachment A: Project Budget Spreadsheet Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund

M.L. 2020 Budget Spreadsheet

Legal Citation:

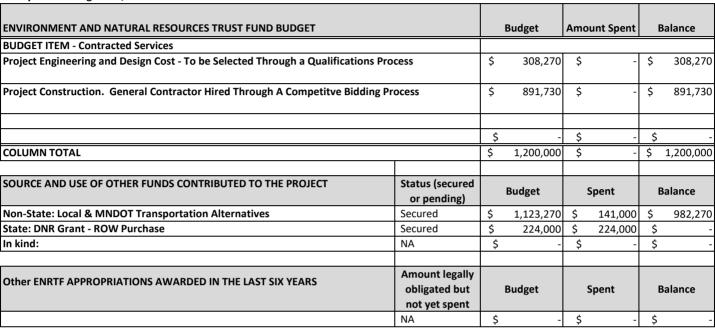
Project Manager: Pete Weber
Project Title: Rocori Trail Phase 3

Organization: Rocori Trail Construction Board

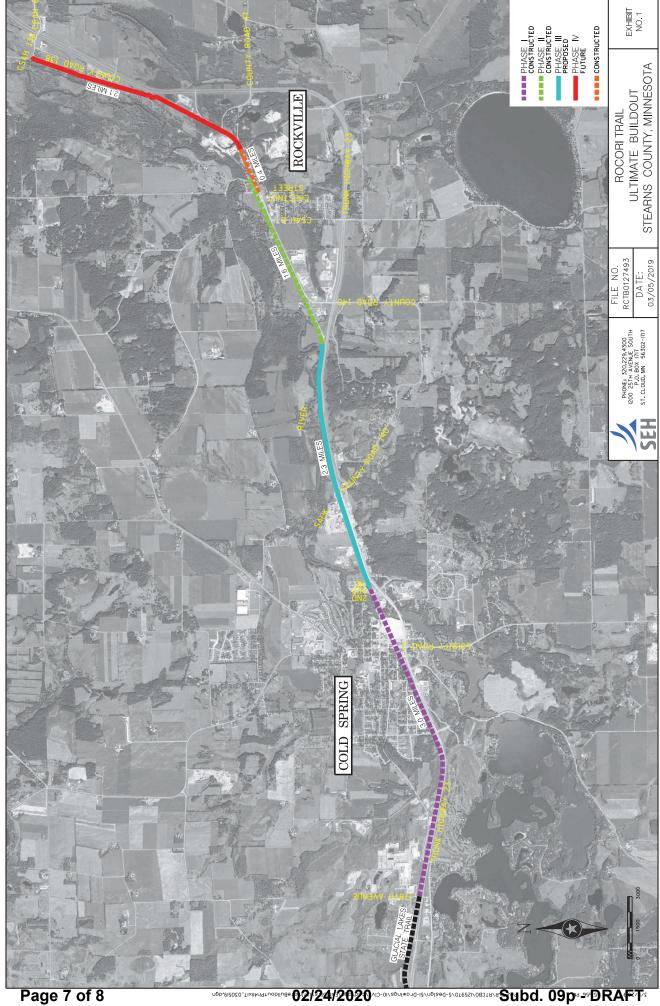
Project Budget: \$1,200,000

Project Length and Completion Date: 3 years - June 2021

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