

## 2008 State Trail Grants

### **C and O Trail**

Award: \$800,000.00

The C&O Rail corridor spans from at the southeast corner of the Town of Merrillville to the northwestern town limits at Griffith. Funding will support development of a 1.7 mile segment located in the densely populated center of Merrillville. This segment of trail is in the heart of a developed area, therefore, drawing a high number of potential users who will not only use the C&O Trail as a means of recreation but also as a means of direct travel to work or businesses.

### **Pennsy Greenway Northwest Trail** INDIANA **TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

This City of Munster project involves the construction of the Pennsy Greenway Northwest Trail from the Illinois State Line to Fisher Street, connecting with the Lansing, Illinois segment of the trail; and from Calumet Avenue to Main Street connecting with the Schererville, Indiana segment of trail. All connecting portions are within the jurisdiction of Munster, totaling approximately 1.5 miles.

### **Northside Bikeway** INDIANA **TRAILS**

Award: \$250,000.00

This South Bend project will extend the Rivergreenway through Indiana University South Bend, approximately 2100 feet, and connect to the newly constructed pedestrian bridge across the St. Joseph River.

### **Panhandle Pathway** INDIANA **TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

This funding will help in the development of 17 miles of multi-use trail on railbanked corridor in Cass and Pulaski Counties.

### **North Judson to Monterey Trail** INDIANA **TRAILS**

Award: \$450,000.00

The funds will be used to develop 2.77 miles of multi-use trail on railbanked corridor from Main Street in North Judson to CR 100W and 0.55 miles of trail near Monterey from Pulaski CR 600E east-southeast to CR640E. For a total of 3.32 miles.

### **Pumpkinvine Nature Trail** INDIANA **TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

This Elkhart County Park Department sponsored project will complete 2 miles of the 17 mile Pumpkinvine Trail from Goshen, through Middlebury to Shippshewana. This meandering abandoned railroad was purchased eighteen years ago by the Friends of the Pumpkinvine Inc. preserving the twisting corridor (hence the Pumpkinvine Nature Trail name) through the Amish countryside. The trail is within a short distance of completion with only 1.6 miles of unfunded trail remaining. This portion of the trail is from CR 127 to CR 31.

**Wabash and Erie Canal Towpath Trail** <sup>INDIANA</sup>**TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

The “Towpath Trail” will be a 5.5 mile multi-use trail constructed primarily along the former route of the Wabash & Erie Canal. This phase of the project is 1.7 miles of a 10 – 12 foot wide asphalt trail that will connect the 40 miles of trails planned in Aboite Township with the 23-mile Rivergreenway Trail in Fort Wayne and New Haven. This the final segment of the “Towpath Trail” to need funding.

**Farm Heritage Trail** <sup>INDIANA</sup>**TRAILS**

Award: \$700,000.00

Approximately 26 miles of former railroad property consisting of approximately 299 acres in Boone, Clinton and Tippecanoe Counties will be acquired for future trail development.

**Greenbush Street/Munger Park Trail** Award: \$650,000.00

This trail will connect several neighborhoods to each other and to Munger Park and Glenn Acres Elementary School, as well as the existing trail along Greenbush Street. Areas along the utility easement will be planted with prairie grasses and wildflowers, as well as establishing seating and resting areas. The Greenbush Street / Munger Park Trail will also serve as the first phase of a trail that will eventually cross Union Street and State Road 26 and tie into McCaw Park, Berlovitz Woods City Park, several retail areas, and two hospitals.

**Vandalia Trail** <sup>INDIANA</sup>**TRAILS**

Award: \$500,000.00

This funding will support Phase Two (1.9 miles), an extension of the existing Vandalia Trail. Phase 2 consists of two sections that will extend the trail from both the east and the west ends of the existing trail. The Town of Plainfield selected this portion of the trail project due to its location, extending it to the limits of the Town’s boundaries, therefore, drawing an increased number of potential users who would not only use the Vandalia Trail as a means of recreation but also as a means of direct travel to work or businesses.

**B&O Trail Pilot Project** <sup>INDIANA</sup>**TRAILS**

Award: \$175,000.00

The B&O Trail Association Inc. (BOTA) will design and construct a prototype section of greenway from Raceway Road (the Marion and Hendricks County line) west approximately 1,000 feet within their right-of-way located on the former B&O railroad alignment in Hendricks County. Corridor improvements will include constructing a 12 foot wide asphalt path for bicycle and pedestrian use. Two-foot wide stone dust shoulders on each side of the path will provide a softer surface to accommodate runners. Equestrian accommodation will be considered in the layout of the facilities as a future use. Landscape screening, trail signage and other amenities will enhance the corridor experience, along with the Dianne Vonnegut Memorial rest area which will be incorporated into the project in recognition of all her work to make the greenway a reality.

**INDIANA**  
**Monon Trail TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

The City of Westfield will extend the Monon Trail through the City and Washington Township. This section is from 161<sup>st</sup> Street north to the Midland Trace corridor, which is approximately 1.4 miles of multi-use trail, including a pedestrian bridge. Phase one (146<sup>th</sup> to 161<sup>st</sup>) will be paved this fall. This will complete approximately 16.5 miles of the Monon Trail.

**INDIANA**  
**Nickel Plate Trail TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

This is a construction project on the Nickel Plate Trail, a 38 mile trail on a rail banked railroad corridor in Howard, Miami, and Fulton Counties. Approximately 7 miles of the trail have been completed in Miami County, with construction on another 4 mile section to begin this spring that will extend into Howard County.

It is the intent of Nickel Plate Trail, Inc to complete 4 additional sections of the trail in Miami and Fulton Counties. The sections to be constructed are as follows:

1. Miami County Road 500S to IN 218 in Bunker Hill – 2 miles
2. Denver south to Peru – 6 miles
3. Peru 7<sup>th</sup> Street to Wallick Road – 1 mile
4. Rochester Wabash Avenue to the south – 3 miles

The construction of these sections will include land acquisition, grading, paving, landscaping, and signage. Also included in this project will be construction on 1 bridge, parking areas, and a trailhead.

**146th Street Extension Trail**

Award: \$500,000.00

The City of Noblesville will construct a four mile trail along the 146<sup>th</sup> Street Roadway Extension from SR 37 to Interstate 69 at Exit 10. The trail connects a nearly 1,000,000 square foot Simon Mall retail development, planned City parks, lifestyle centers, corporate campus, and residential developments along the corridor. The City and INDOT have partnered together to improve the overpass on Interstate 69, which includes a pedestrian crossing, connecting Noblesville and Fishers.

**INDIANA**  
**Forks of Wabash Trail TRAILS**

Award: \$250,000.00

The Huntington Park and Recreation Department in a community partnership with the Historic Forks of the Wabash will develop a 1-mile, accessible trail along the Little Wabash and Wabash Rivers in Huntington, Indiana. This 8' wide paved multi-use trail will provide recreational and educational opportunities for walkers, joggers, bicyclists and cross-county skiers. The development of this trail, along the scenic river and through the Historic Forks of the Wabash will promote and enhance a healthy lifestyle in the community.

**Cardinal Greenway** <sup>INDIANA</sup>**TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

Funds will be used to extend the unimproved areas of the Cardinal Greenway trail between Industries Road in Richmond to Main Street in Losantville with an emphasis on bridge improvements that will allow for continuous travel between Richmond and Gaston on fully paved and graded ballast on non-paved surfaces. Bridges will have a 12' minimum width. Certain bridges will be 15' to accommodate horse travel as well as multi-use pedestrians. 6 bridges will be improved, one removed and one replaced. 10 additional miles of stone graded ballast will be added for trail biking and runners.

**National Heritage Road Trail** <sup>INDIANA</sup>**TRAILS**

Award: \$650,000.00

Funds will be used to develop 4 miles of multi-use trail in two sections on former Penn Central railroad property recently purchased and donated by the state. The sections are from Ogden to Raysville (2 miles) and from Lewisville to Dunreith (2 miles).

**Whitewater Canal Trail** <sup>INDIANA</sup>**TRAILS**

Award: \$300,000.00

This project will connect two existing sections of trail. On the west side of the project this new trail will connect with the 2.6 mile trail that was completed this year. On the east side it will connect with what is known as the Yellow Bank Trailhead, which was completed in 2005 with funds raised by the community. When this connection is finished, visitors will be able to park at Yellow Bank trailhead and ride a bike or hike the 5-mile trail to Metamora along the old canal. The interesting scenery along the route makes this section a great trail for a day trip. The new connector will be 10 feet wide and 2 miles long and begin at Mile Post 47 and travel east to Mile Post 52 which is located next to the mill in Metamora.

**Pennsy Greenway - Indianapolis** <sup>INDIANA</sup>**TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

The City of Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation (Indy Parks) will design and construct a critical segment of the Indianapolis Pennsy Trail from Arlington Avenue to Shortridge Road within the former right-of-way of the Pennsylvania Railroad currently owned by Indy Parks.

This 6,700 lineal foot (1.3 mile) segment of the trail corridor is critical in connectivity of the eastside for pedestrians and bicyclists as it utilizes the existing infrastructure of the Shadeland Avenue rail bridge overpass that was preserved from demolition by INDOT specifically for this use. The trail will connect Historic Irvington to the far eastside commercial district along Washington Street and significant destinations including the Irvington Community School and the Ransburg YMCA. The project will assist in meeting the immediate need for bicycle and pedestrian facilities to improve quality of life for eastside residents. Connections to the trail will be made via the existing sidewalk and street infrastructure.

**Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage** <sup>INDIANA</sup> **TRAILS** Award: \$900,000.00

The City of Evansville will build a 0.7 mile section of the Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage - Industrial Corridor. The Pigeon Creek Greenway Passage Plan is the overall pedestrian/bicycle corridor plan to accommodate trail users and connect residential, parks, commercial districts and the public facilities through Evansville and Vanderburgh County. The plan calls for the construction of a pedestrian/bicycle trail along the existing Evansville Levee System and encircle the City of Evansville. Two sections, the Middle Levee and Riverfront Corridors were completed in 1997 and 2004 respectively and the first section of the Industrial Corridor was completed in 2007. Extending another section of the Industrial Corridor will provide additional trail and recreational opportunities and bring us closer to completing the Industrial Corridor. Completing the Industrial Corridor and linking the Middle Levee and Riverfront Corridors will create 6.5 miles of continuous trails in Evansville.

**Historic Collett Park Pathway** <sup>INDIANA</sup> **TRAILS** Award: \$900,000.00

The Collett Park Pathway is a 1.6-mile development of The National Road Heritage Trail Greenway System in Terre Haute, Indiana. The Collett Park Pathway will serve as a dedicated, multi-use, non-motorized corridor that will directly link Terre Haute's trail and greenway system with Indiana State University, downtown, hospitals, parks, schools, historic neighborhoods and natural areas.

The Collett Park Pathway will be a major resource to both the transportation and recreational systems of Terre Haute given its connection to The National Road Heritage Trail and its parallel relief orientation to the heavily traveled U.S. 41 corridor.

**B-Line Trail** <sup>INDIANA</sup> **TRAILS** Award: \$900,000.00

This project will develop .65 miles of the 3.1-mile multi-use B-Line trail in Bloomington. The B-Line trail is being developed on the abandoned CSX Railroad corridor that runs through the heart of Bloomington's downtown extending from Adams Street south to Country Club Drive. The City of Bloomington has ownership of this abandoned rail corridor and has completed design and bidding on the first phase of construction. This project will complete a portion of Phase II.

**Salt Creek Trail** <sup>INDIANA</sup> **TRAILS** Award: \$725,000.00

Phase III of the Salt Creek Trail will start at a trailhead on the western edge of Eagle Park (Brown County School Corporation property) and run approximately 0.65 miles through the park, crossing Salt Creek with a new bridge west of the existing Brown County State Park. The trail will conclude with a trailhead in the State Park near the current parking lot for the outdoor swimming pool. This trailhead will be approximately 200 yards from the start of a mountain-biking trail which already exists in the park.

**Clarksville Levee Trail** <sup>INDIANA</sup> **TRAILS**

Award: \$900,000.00

The Clarksville Levee Trail Project will link the Falls of the Ohio State Park and Interpretive Center, to George Rogers Clark State Park, and Midway Park. The project will pave a 12' wide footpath on top of the floodwall for a distance of approximately 1.33 miles. This segment will connect to the Lewis & Clark Trail, currently under design, and become part of the 7-mile Ohio River Greenway linking Jeffersonville, Clarksville and New Albany.

**Statewide Mountain Bike Development** Award: \$250,000.00

3 trail locations for approximately 25 miles of trail have been identified as high priority for use of these funds.

Harmonie State Park: This is a new trail system in the far south west corner of the State. Building a world-class trail system in this region will act as a catalyst for future trail construction in this region. The initial 5 miles of trail will be built largely by volunteers, but the steep nature of the ravines will require a number of bridges. Also, a beginner section of trail will be built by machine to ensure new riders experience a premier trail.

O'Bannon Woods State Park: The existing 25 mile Adventure Hike Trail at O'Bannon has fallen into disuse. The long-term plan for the Adventure Hike Trail is to provide a rugged back county trail for serious hikers and mountain bikers. In order to attract the mountain bike community, a campground trail built to Intermediate specifications is needed. Due to the remote location of O'Bannon, the percentage of match funding and labor at O'Bannon will be less than other projects. If additional volunteer labor can be found, improvements to the Adventure Trail will begin.

Versailles State Park: Versailles is a hidden gem with ten mile of mountain bike trails that rival Brown County State Park. The current trail system has a single trail that links the trailhead to the system of loops. A loop is possible, but will require a difficult, but spectacular segment of trail underneath a cliff wall. This difficult segment leads to an area of the park with unique sink-hole features. The "Cliff Trail" will add this unique section of trail and will lay the ground work for a difficult yet spectacular segment of trail along the base of the cliff wall.

**Greenwood Tracy Trail**

Award: \$500,000.00

Tracy Trail will be a 10 foot wide asphalt multi-use trail with 2 foot grass shoulders. This completed trail will connect three parks; Summerfield, Craig, and Woodmen to each other. Three schools will be connected; Southwest Elementary, Greenwood Middle School, and Greenwood High School. Six neighborhoods, four apartment complexes, a bowling alley, and two retail areas will all be connected to one another as well as to the aforementioned amenities. This first phase will be approximately 1.9 miles long when completed.

**Grant County Cardinal Greenway Trail –  
Sweetser Switch Trail Connector** **INDIANA TRAILS**

Award: \$500,000.00

The funds will be used to develop 2 miles of a multi-use trail segment connecting Grant County/Cardinal Greenway trail to Sweetser Switch Trail, immediately west of Marion, along an abandoned railroad corridor.

**Greenfield -Penny Trail Extension** **INDIANA TRAILS**

Award: \$800,000.00

The Greenfield Penny Trail Western Extension Trail Project is a 2.7 mile long trail beginning at the existing Penny Trail Center Street trailhead and following the former Penn Central Railroad right-of-way to County Road 150W. The Penny Trail Western Extension will consist primarily of an accessible asphalt trail, landscaping, signage, and trail amenities. The trail will be 12-feet wide with 2-foot stone shoulders where space permits. Landscaping will include grass seeding along the trail, and shrubs, grasses, and flowers at key points along the corridor. Trail amenities will include at least benches, trash cans, railings, and bike racks.

**INDIANA TRAILS** This trail is part of, or connected to, the Indiana State Visionary Trails System

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