

**Carson City
Parks, Recreation, Open Space Department**



**SNPLMA Round 16
Parks, Trails and Natural Areas**

Carson River Trail System, Phase 2 – Ranch Connections

Amount Requested: \$1,843,685

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Purpose Statement

Carson City will design and construct multiple trail segments totaling more than three miles along and/or near the Carson River, Prison Hill Recreation Area and Silver Saddle Ranch to link existing trails; provide a physical connection between the urban/ residential areas to agricultural areas, open space, and parks; provide increased recreational opportunities for young families and those with mobility challenges; and improve visitor safety while minimizing disturbance to natural areas and wildlife habitats.

Deliverables

Primary

- Develop plans and specifications for a safe street crossing on Carson River Road to link the Mexican Ditch Trail segment on the north to Silver Saddle Ranch on the south.
- Develop plans and specifications to design and construct a non-motorized trail segment consisting of a decomposed granite surface 10'-12' wide by ½ mile in length, connecting the Mexican Ditch Trail on Carson River Road to the Mexican Ditch Trail within the historic ranch complex of Silver Saddle Ranch.
- Develop plans and specifications to design and construct a non-motorized trail segment consisting of a decomposed granite surface 10'-12' wide by 1½ miles in length, connecting the Prison Hill Recreation Area, 5th Street Trailhead to Silver Saddle Ranch.
- Revegetation around disturbed areas.

Anticipated

- Develop plans and specifications to design and construct a non-motorized trail segment consisting of a decomposed granite surface 10'-12' wide by 1.2 miles in length, concrete pathway segment under an existing motorized bridge and along the Carson River, and at least one culvert to cross irrigation ditches, connecting Riverview Park on the north to the old Buzzy's Ranch / Carson City Open Space property, Carson River Park and Silver Saddle Ranch on the south. This deliverable is pending results of environmental surveys (i.e. avian species) to determine impacts to this section of the river corridor and agricultural operations, authorization to adjust the trail alignment if needed, and final costs.
- Reduce infestations of Russian Olive along one trail segment adjacent to the Carson River pending the results as identified above.
- Remove, relocate, and reconstruct existing ranch fence along one trail segment adjacent to the Carson River pending the results as identified above.
- Install three-rail split rail fence along the Prison Hill Trail pending trespass actions of dirt bikes in a non-motorized area.
- Develop and install trail signage dependent on funding availability pending budget.

Round 13 -
Eagle Valley Creek
Trail Segment

Concurrent Project -
Prison Hill Recreation Area,
5th Street Trailhead

Existing Trailhead
Parking

Riverview Park

Connect to
Riverview Park Trail

Buzzy's Ranch

Connection to
Mexican Ditch Trail

West Riverbank
Trail

Mexican Ditch

Carson River

Prison Hill
Trail

Prison Hill

Future Trailhead
and Road Crossing

Future Trail

Carson River Road

Future Trail

Trail Connection
Under Bridge

Mexican Ditch
Trail Extension

Existing Trail

Silver Saddle
Ranch Buildings

Future Round(s) -
Silver Saddle Ranch

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RIVER TRAILS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
FIGURE 1

