

Adopted 2021 Capital Improvement Program

January 28, 2021

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Dakota County Park & Greenway System



Over 5,500 acres serving 2.3M visitors

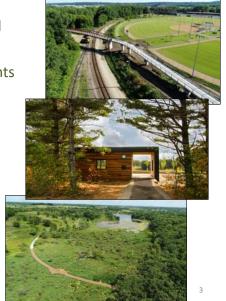
- Three Regional Parks
- Two Regional Park Reserves
- One County Park
- Six Regional Greenways

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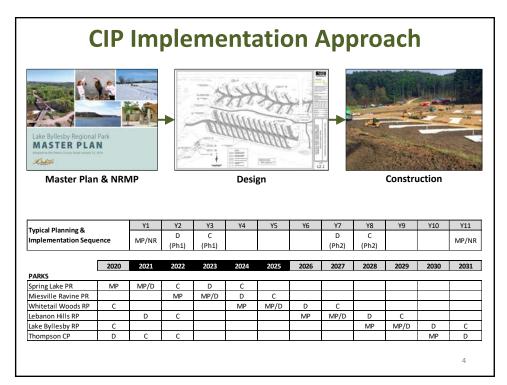
2020 CIP Accomplishments

- Natural Resource Stewardship
- Mississippi River GW to Saint Paul
- Lake Byllesby MP Improvements
- Whitetail Woods MP Improvements





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Key CIP Drivers

- Reduced and uncertain revenues
- Increasing use
- Natural and cultural resources









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Key CIP Strategies

- 1. Respond to current needs
- 2. Balanced CIP based on available revenues
- 3. Allow for scalable growth or reductions







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Key CIP Changes

Maintained

- Natural Resource Base
- Veterans Memorial GW
- Minnesota River GW Ft Snelling
- Mississippi River GW Rosemount East
- North Creek GW CSAH 42 and Lakeville/Farmington
- Thompson County Park MP Improvements

Reduced

- · Park & Greenway Asset Preservation
- Set-Asides (Planning, Grant Match, Enhancements)
- Lebanon Hills Regional Park Campground Improvements

Delayed

- Spring Lake Park Reserve MP Improvements
- Miesville Ravine Park Reserve MP Improvements
- River to River GW Dodd crossing and Marthaler segment
- Mendota to Lebanon Hills GW IGH/MH segment and Cliff Rd crossing
- Lake Marion GW Ritter Farm Park Segment
- North Creek GW 155th & JCRR crossings

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Greenways

ML20 State Bonding Recap

- Successful: Veterans Memorial Greenway (\$5M)
- <u>Unsuccessful</u>: Public Safety & Greenway Improvements (\$22.75M)
 - River to River Greenway
 - Mendota to Lebanon Hills Greenway
 - Mississippi River Greenway
 - Minnesota River Greenway
 - Lake Marion Greenway
 - North Creek Greenway
- CIP advances the highest priority projects
 - Underway
 - > External funding
 - Partner commitment





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Greenways Minnesota River Greenway Regional Trail Prior CIP 2023 2024 2025 TOTAL Project 2021 2022 Fort Snelling \$2,040,038 \$3,925,139 \$4,801,642 \$10,766,819 Segment Fort Snelling Segment - Final 3.5-mile gap - 2019-2021: Feasibility & Design - 2021-2023: Construction External funding totals \$7.0M

Mississippi River Greenway

Project	Prior CIP	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
Rosemount East	\$13,358,915	\$600,000	\$400,000				\$14,358,915
Wakota Trailhead	\$240,000	\$700,000	\$300,000	\$260,000			\$1,500,000

Greenways

Rosemount East

- Final 2-mile gap
- Implementation dependent upon feasibility

Wakota Trailhead

- Partnership with City of South Saint Paul
- Full service trailhead facilities in high use location
- External funding of \$1M
- 2022-2023: Construction



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Greenways

North Creek Greenway Regional Trail

Project	Prior CIP	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
Apple Valley CSAH 42	\$400,000		\$2,352,937				\$2,752,937
Lakeville / Farmington	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$1,500,000				\$1,800,000

- Apple Valley CSAH 42 Crossing
 - Secured Federal grant (\$1.256M)
 - Highest traffic crossing on NCGW
 - Cost share partnership with Transportation & City
 - 2022-2023: Construction
- Lakeville/Farmington Gaps
 - Secured Federal grant (\$480k)
 - Coordinated with residential development
 - 2022-2023: Construction



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Greenways

Veterans Memorial Greenway

Project	Prior CIP	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
Veterans	\$7,500,000	\$2,500,000					\$10,000,000
Memorial							

- New 5-mile greenway
- · Connects LHRP to MRG
- Veterans advisory group
- State Bonding (\$5M) + County Match (\$5M)
- Timeline
 - 2021-2022: Design & Interpretation Plan
 - 2022-2023: Construction



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Parks

Spring Lake Park Reserve

Project	Prior CIP	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
Natural Resource Mgmt Plan	\$75,000						\$75,000
Master Plan Update	\$100,000						\$100,000
MP Improvements: Bison Range area	\$711,000	\$560,000					\$1,271,000
MP Improvements: Other areas			\$1,700,034	\$1,188,176	\$960,661		\$3,848,871

- Sequence master plan improvements
 - Align project components with available funding
 - Reallocate funds to more time-sensitive projects
- Utilize future external funding
 - 2022 Regional Park Bonding (\$1.7M)
 - 2023 Parks & Trails Legacy (\$1.1M)



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Parks

Lebanon Hills Regional Park

Project	Prior CIP	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
Campground	\$100,000						\$100,000
Improvements							
Sustainable Trails &			\$200,000	\$1,350,000			\$1,550,000
Internal Connector							

- Ongoing natural resource improvements
- Campground Improvements
 - Postpone office, campsites, and trailhead improvements
 - Reconstruct entry road based on availability of Asset Preservation set-aside funds
- Connector Trail*
 - 2021: Feasibility Study (Planning set-aside funds)
 - 2022: Design/Engineering
 - 2023-24: Construction
 - *Based on feasibility and County Board direction



Parks

Miesville Ravine Park Reserve

Project	Prior CIP	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
Natural Resource	\$75,000						\$75,000
Mgmt Plan							
Master Plan		\$100,000					\$100,000
Update							

• Natural Resource Management Plan: 2020-2021

• Master Plan Update: 2021-2022



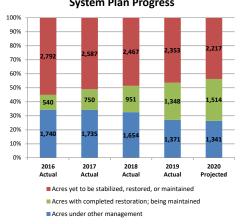
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Natural Resources

Project	Prior CIP	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTAL
NR Base	\$1,083,566	\$1,119,286	\$1,160,646	\$1,203,345	\$1,244,945	\$1,284,403	\$6,012,625

- Implementation of NRMSP on track
- Five-year NR Base funding of \$6.0M
 - Revenues derived primarily from ELF
 - Includes maintenance of restored areas
 - Grants used to offset or supplement County cost
- Overall NR investment in 2021 CIP totals \$7.25M
 - 45% of total 2021 Parks CIP

Natural Resource Management System Plan Progress



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Systemwide

Systemwide Programs and Projects

- Park & Greenway Asset Preservation
- Acquisition
- Grant Match
- Park Enhancements
- Greenway Enhancements
- Greenway Collaborative







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Recommended 2021-2025 Parks CIP

- Balanced approach to County-wide priorities
- Sequences projects to align with and optimize external funds
- Provides opportunity to scale up / scale down in out-years
- Maintains service and addresses key needs



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