



HF 1084

City of Arden Hills – Old Highway 10 Trail Improvements

Total Cost of Project: \$4,998,000

Amount of State Capital Request: \$1,650,000

List of Local Matching Funds - City of Arden Hills: \$1,786,000 - Ramsey County: \$700,000 – Metropolitan Council: \$1,000,000

Has project received capital investment dollars in previous years? No

Year request first submitted: 2023-2024

Can the project be phased? No

Scope: Easement acquisition, construction, construction administration

Additional quick facts

- Construction of a 1.27-mile, multi-use trail facility along County road Old Highway 10 between County Highway 96 and Lake Valentine Rd.
- Plan and specification design is complete and Shovel Ready pending funding availability.
- Provides safe connection to Valentine Hills Elementary, Mounds View High School and Bethel University, which have a combined student population of 7,500.
 - Critical safety improvements for multimodal transportation to address limited shoulder width, poor lighting, poor sight lines, County road is posted 45 mph.
 - Resolve near impossible pedestrian and bike travel during winter months.
- Provide safe trail to school for 271 unit Arden Manor Park manufactured home community which has traditionally been under-served with limited access to transit and transportation options.
- Right-of-Way needs identified, easement acquisition would occur in 2025.
- Wetland floodplain restrictions and steep grades require construction of boardwalk structure estimated at \$800,000.
- Boardwalk required by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service over a wetland space in the project area.
- Stormwater quality requirements per Watershed District costs estimated at \$950,000.
- Provide connectivity to Regional Trails - Long Lake Regional Park; White Bear Lake Regional Parks.
- Arden Hills invested \$4.4 million on the existing trail system south of this proposed trail in 2022 through 2024.
- Arden Hills nearly 30% of the community is tax-exempt property, a population of approximately 9,500 residents with an expenditure budget of \$6.7 million in 2025, and this project would be 50% of the City's annual budget without State funding.

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Wetland floodplain area and steep slopes requiring boardwalk structure construction - \$800,000 cost



Narrow shoulder width – Bike/Pedestrian travel during winter months near impossible



Poor sightlines and limited lighting make Bike/Pedestrian travel dangerous

