

FY26 Recreational Trails Program Funded Projects Summary

All totals are calculated from the Project Data sheet.

Program Totals	Amount
Projects Entered	17
Federal RTP Award	\$2,296,603.27
Required Match	\$255,178.14
Total Project Cost	\$2,551,781.41

Use Category	Projects	Federal Award
Motorized	3	\$709,570.07
Nonmotorized	7	\$668,626.80
Diversified	5	\$842,010.40
Safety and Education	2	\$76,396.00

Region	Projects	Federal Award	Total Project Cost
Anchorage Area	1	\$39,827.60	\$44,252.89
Matanuska-Susitna Valley	3	\$509,993.61	\$566,659.56
Interior Alaska	1	\$102,386.70	\$113,763.00
Southwest/Kodiak	1	\$200,000.00	\$222,222.22
Southeast	5	\$646,142.97	\$717,936.64
Kenai Peninsula	3	\$556,687.39	\$618,541.54
Valdez-Cordova	1	\$165,169.00	\$183,521.11
Northern Alaska	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Statewide	2	\$76,396.00	\$84,884.45
Other	0	\$0.00	\$0.00

Reviewer information

DOT&PF will charge 7.59% ICAP to each project awarded. This is estimated at \$174,993.79 federal and \$19,442.75 state.
Sitka Trail Repair was withdrawn by the awardee.
Project dates will be extended a year due to the delay in funding.

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Region	Recipient	Project Title	Project Number	Project Type	Use Category	Federal RTP Award	Required Match	Total Project Cost	Project Description	Project Start	Project End	Status
Statewide	DPOR - Interpretation & Education Unit	Buskin River Safety and Education Project	HFHWY00545	Safety and Education	Safety and Education	\$67,262.00	\$7,473.56	\$74,735.56	At Buskin River SRA, the Alaska Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR) Interpretation and Education Unit will update the site signage, bulletin board information, and install additional interpretive panels along the campground trail to the beach and at the ADA fishing platform. This site has safety messaging that is required for its users, especially for bear awareness as bears frequent the river. For some of the panels, we will also partner with the Alutiiq Museum to include indigenous placenames, cultural information, and or Alutiiq language.	04/01/2026	09/01/2026	Approved
Statewide	DPOR - Interpretation & Education Unit	Silver King SRA Groundwater Education Project	HFHWY00546	Safety and Education	Safety and Education	\$9,134.00	\$1,014.89	\$10,148.89	At the Silver King State Recreation Area, the Alaska Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation (DPOR) Interpretation and Education Unit proposes installing a new sign. This will be in coordination with the Kachemak Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (KBNERR).	05/01/2026	09/30/2026	Approved
Southeast	City and Borough of Juneau	35 Mile ORV Riding Park (Phase III)	HFHWY00547	Construction/New Trail	Motorized	\$299,551.47	\$33,283.50	\$332,834.97	The 35 Mile ORV Riding Park project will construct Juneau's first dedicated Off Road Vehicle Riding Park. Very few opportunities for summer motorized vehicle recreation exist in Juneau and this park will provide opportunities for all skill levels to recreate in a safe, fun, and sustainable park designed for motorized recreation. The entire project area encompasses approximately 565 acres of municipal land, and will offer a system of loop trails designed for diverse riding levels.	06/01/2026	11/30/2027	Approved
Matanuska-Susitna Valley	Big Lake Trails Inc.	New Tucker Sno-Cat for Grooming	HFHWY00548	Equipment	Motorized	\$285,018.60	\$31,668.73	\$316,687.33	Big Lake Trails Inc. will purchase a new Tucker Sno-Cat to replace our 30+ year old Sno Cat.	05/01/2026	10/30/2028	Approved
Matanuska-Susitna Valley	Petersville Community NPC	Petersville Trails and Rescue Center (Ground Breaking PH III)	HFHWY00549	Trailhead/Trailside Facility	Motorized	\$125,000.00	\$13,888.89	\$138,888.89	The Petersville Community Non-Profit Corporation (PCNPC) proposes to construct 40' x 60' Petersville Trails & Rescue Center, a multipurpose facility that will house snowcats and trail grooming equipment, serve as a base for search and rescue operations, and provide space for community uses. The Center will improve grooming efficiency, extend equipment life, and establish a reliable hub for emergency response in the heavily used Petersville trail system.	05/30/2026	12/31/2026	Approved
Southeast	City of Kake	Kake Community Nature Trail	HFHWY00550	Construction/New Trail	Nonmotorized	\$195,360.00	\$21,706.67	\$217,066.67	The City of Kake proposes to restore an existing community trail, create a wildlife-viewing area, and conduct a feasibility study for a pedestrian bridge and waterfront viewing area. The project will improve trail safety, expand outdoor recreation opportunities, and enhance the community's access to local natural resources and scenic areas	01/01/2026	12/31/2026	Approved
Southeast	Alaska State Parks - Southeast	Phase 1 Lunch Creek Loop Trail	HFHWY00551	Rehabilitation	Nonmotorized	\$54,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$60,000.00	Alaska State Parks is applying to repair trail sections in Settlers Cove Lunch Creek Loop Trail. This grant money will be used to on much needed trail repair, but also maintenance and upkeep of these trails making units safer and more enjoyable for the public. Grant will include funding for contractors, supplies, and additional crew support.	06/01/2026	12/01/2027	Approved
Southeast	Haines Huts and Trails	Chilkat State Park Trail Repair Program	HFHWY00552	Rehabilitation	Nonmotorized	\$87,120.00	\$9,680.00	\$96,800.00	Haines Huts and Trails, in collaboration with Alaska State Parks, is applying for the 2026 Recreational Trails Program Grant to hire a small crew to work on Chilkat State Park Trails. The crew will focus on repairing trails with treadwork, resurfacing, brushing, signage, and replacing infrastructure. If funded, the work would take place on the Battery Point, Mount Riley, and Ayiklutu Trails between April 1st and October 31st of 2026.	04/01/2026	10/01/2026	Approved
Anchorage Area	Friends of Eagle River Nature Center	Eagle River Nature Center Trail Support and Equipment Improvements	HFHWY00553	Equipment	Nonmotorized	\$39,827.60	\$4,425.29	\$44,252.89	Friends of Eagle River Nature Center (FERNC), in partnership with Chugach State Park (CSP), seeks Recreational Trails Program (RTP) funding to purchase essential trail maintenance equipment, including a Polaris Ranger Crew with trailer, personal protective equipment (PPE), specialized hand tools, chainsaw, and cutting tools. These resources will strengthen FERNC's capacity to perform year-round trail maintenance on CSP trails managed by the Nature Center, improving safety, accessibility, and long-term sustainability for all users. In addition to supporting day-to-day maintenance, the Polaris Ranger will provide a critical boost to emergency readiness. Its use will enable CSP Park Rangers to respond to Search and Rescue (SAR) needs more quickly and with greater capability. This dual role of supporting both routine trail operations and emergency response ensures that the investment directly benefits park visitors, staff, and the broader community by strengthening both safety and stewardship.	05/01/2026	12/01/2026	Approved
Interior Alaska	Fairbanks North Star Borough - Parks & Recreation	Chena Lake Recreation Area River Park Trails Reroute Phase II	HFHWY00554	Rehabilitation	Nonmotorized	\$102,386.70	\$11,376.30	\$113,763.00	The Chena River continues to erode large sections of the riverbank and adjacent trail. The eroding sections are threatening the viability of the looped system and pose a safety issue for recreationists. The more distant sections can no longer be accessed by maintenance vehicles and grooming equipment and will soon be inaccessible to trail users. This project intends to reroute eroded sections of the Chena Lake River Park trails, constructing approximately 800 feet of new trail. Two reroutes were completed through this funding program in 2022 and two remain in need. Construction will require clearing vegetation along the new corridor, placing a hardened gravel surface, and installing drainage features where necessary.	06/01/2025	10/30/2027	Approved

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