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RE: Hickman Scott's Creek Trail

Dear Neighbor:

The City of Hickman received grant funding from Nebraska Game & Parks Commission's Recreational Trails Program for Scott's Creek Trail located northwest of the intersection of South 68th Street and Hickman Road as well as a small portion north of Prairie View Lan. The project is currently being reviewed as part of the National Environmental Policy Act as a Categorical Exclusion subject to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Recreational Trail Projects.

Currently, there is a gap in the city's trail system to connect recreational facilities and city amenities in the project area. This project would provide important trail connections to the north and south ends of the city.

The north trail segment would be parallel to Prairie View Lane and would connect the existing trail on the east side of South 68th Street and the existing sidewalk north of the intersection of Morning Glory Road and Prairie View Lane. The south segment would begin parallel to South 68th Street just south of the existing trail underpass and generally run west and south along Scott's Creek to connect with Hickman Road just east of Walnut Street. The trail would be 10 feet wide with a 2-foot shoulder on each side. A project map is enclosed.

Additional construction activities would include a culvert extension near the trail tie, south and west from the intersection at Prairie View Lane and South 68th Street, minimal clearing and grubbing to remove existing vegetation along the proposed construction path, and minimal grading.

Construction could begin as early as May 2025 and be completed by December 2025.

Comments on the proposed project can be submitted to Kelly Oelke, Koelke@hickman.ne.gov, 115 Locust Street, Hickman, Nebraska 68372. Comments will be collected through March 5, 2025. Additional information can be found on the city's website at hickman.ne.gov.

For questions or to request more information, please contact Chase Jelden, Environmental Project Scientist, 308-708-7648, cielden@olsson.com.

Sincerely,

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