

Bike-Ped Master Plan Updates for 2015

North Valley

- **N2 – Improve Surface of Harriman Trail**

Harriman Trail re-surfacing to be considered in Blaine County Recreational District (BCRD) and Galena Trails strategic planning process 2016.

- **N3 – Biking Improvements over Galena Summit**

Initial improvements completed by Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) including re-striping, signage, and a wider bike lane now exists. Additional input from public comment highlights potential need for lane improvements from Prairie Creek to Galena Lodge on Highway 75.

- **N4 – Improvements around Galena Lodge**

Speed limit was lowered to advisory 35 MPH with a black and yellow sign installed by ITD warning of pedestrian crossing near Galena Lodge. ITD is considering a long-term reconstruction project for the entire area around Galena Lodge. BCRD is working with ITD to install formal crosswalks and better (safer) turnoff from highway to parking lot. US Forest Service (USFS) improved some parking capacity and added a few parking spaces in the lot at Galena Lodge with a change in parking configuration.

Ketchum Area Projects

- **K1 - 4th Street Safety Improvements**

A rapid flashing beacon signal and right turn only sign were installed in the summer of 2015.

- **K3 - Pathway Routing Improvements in Downtown**

BCRD completed a re-route of Wood River Trail (WRT) section removing a diagonal section traversing Simplot property. The new section connects to the corner complete with Americans with Disability Act (ADA) crossing. The new route now provides an opportunity for further discussion of additional re-route to connect bike path to Atkinson's Park and beyond, which will improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists and enhance safety for Hemingway School kids. The City also painted the green "bike lane" on Spruce Street to help direct traffic to 4th Street. The City found the paint was not well received by the community so they are removing the green "bike lane".

- **K4 - Downtown Sidewalks - Complete Streets**

In addition to the \$300,000 the city has allocated for sidewalk improvements and repair in FY 15/16 (350,000 will be allocated including design costs) the City has also received \$354,575 from the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency (KURA) to spend on sidewalks and street lighting for a total of \$700,000 for improvements. From a Community Choices grant for FY 17 the city will be spend \$189,000 to build missing sidewalk connections. City of Ketchum created a map showing all the priority sidewalk work to be implemented.

- **K6 - Sight Distance Improvements**

The City of Ketchum added signage on existing posts and added path paint for cyclists at the Warm Springs/Saddle Road intersection to alert cyclists to stop at intersection.

- **K7 - Separated Path Saddle Road to Knob Hill**

ITD has committed to expand the gravel shoulder by 3-4 feet on the east side of Highway 75 between Knob Hill Inn and Saddle Road to improve safety for walkers and cyclists (this will help more of the casual cyclist not road bikers who will not ride on gravel).

- **K8 - Warm Springs Road Improvements**

The city has been clearing line of sight obstructions for bikes and vehicles in 2015. The city has also begun initial stages of analysis and feasibility study for adding bike path on south side of Warm Springs Road 2015.

- **K9 – Wayfinding and Amenities**

The city has begun active planning for wayfinding signage and will begin work in winter of 2016. BCRD is designing and planning a new wayfinding system for the entire WRT corridor. BCRD will work with all partners and Cities along trail system to coordinate safe and consistent signage. Signage also includes access points to public lands and public access points along Big Wood River.

Sun Valley Area Projects

Several Sun Valley area projects were added to the 2015 Master Plan Update including SV4 Connection between Trail Creek Road and Fairway Road and SV5 Build A Bike Lane on Fairway Road by Striping and Signing and SV6 Crosswalk Improvements.

- **SV1 – Trail Creek Path Improvements**

Bike lane was re-surfaced along Trail Creek Road.

Main Valley Area Projects

- **M1 – East Fork Bike Lanes and Intersection Improvements**

Re-paint the stripe for the bike lane on East Fork road that was paved over. In September 2015 road was repaved and striped bike lane was eliminated. In October a fog line was painted on roadway to improve safety for biking.

- **M5 – Bike Lanes along SH-75**

Shoulder along highway from Timber Way to Big Wood River Bridge segment was 28 ft. pavement surface with 12 ft. lanes in each direction and 2-foot shoulders. Travel lanes were reduced in width allowing shoulders to increase. Now shoulders are a total of 8 feet, 4 feet wide in each direction, which is an increase of 6 feet. The project area could still use signage to increase safety for cyclists.

- **M7 – Wayfinding and Amenities**

BCRD designing and planning a new wayfinding system for the entire WRT corridor. BCRD will work with all partners and Cities along trail system to coordinate safe and consistent signage. Signage also includes access points to public lands and public access points along Big Wood River.

- **NEW – Sidewalks along Hospital Dr. in the county**

Blaine County has a funded project to add sidewalks on the east side of Hospital Dr. near St. Luke's and improve the crosswalks in this area.

Hailey Area Projects

- **H1 - Roundabouts**

Secured funding for 4 block complete streets improvements on River Street from Walnut to Galena with project engineering in 2018 and project construction in 2020.

- **H5 – Safe Routes to School Improvements**

Hailey received grant to install a rapid flashing beacon across Main Street at Cobblestone and sidewalks along Cobblestone to the Middle School. Bids came in way higher than the grant. City of Hailey re-bidding crossing light and sidewalks for pedestrians at Cobblestone to improve pedestrian crossing safety. Construction anticipated in summer of 2016. A second safe routes to school District bike path/sidewalk project is in process between the City of Hailey, Mountain Rides and Blaine County School along west side of Hailey Elementary School soccer field. There is a 10- foot easement for this sidewalk and the City of Hailey and Mountain Rides will apply for an ITD grant for project funding in 2016 through the Transportation Assistance Program (TAP).

- **H6 – Wayfinding and Amenities**

BCRD will be designing and planning new wayfinding system for entire Wood River Trail corridor. BCRD will work with major partners and all cities to coordinate a safe and consistent signage that will include all access points to public land and all public access spots along the Big Wood River.

Bellevue Area Projects

Bellevue area projects were added to the Bike-Ped Master Plan Document in 2015. When the document was originally written in 2014 the Bellevue area was not included as a separate section of the master plan. There was one project listed under South Valley Area Projects (B2 Roundabout at State Highway 75 and Gannett Road) but all other projects were added including an entire section for Bellevue and the Gannett Road roundabout project was moved to this section for the 2015 updated Master Plan.

- **B6 – Wayfinding and Amenities**

BCRD will work with major partners and all cities to coordinate a safe and consistent signage that will include all access points to public land and all public access spots along the Big Wood River.

Valley Wide Projects

The entire repaving and reconstruction of the WRT has been completed.