

Proclamation
Alcohol Awareness Month April, 2013

WHEREAS, Alcohol is the most commonly used addictive substance in the United States; and

WHEREAS, one in every 12 adults (17.6 million people) suffer from alcohol abuse or dependence; and

WHEREAS, more than half of all adults have a family history of alcoholism or problem drinking; and

WHEREAS, 100,000 persons die each year from alcohol-related causes: drinking and driving crashes, other accidents, falls, fires, alcohol-related homicides and suicides; and

WHEREAS, more than 7 million children live in a household where at least one parent is dependent on or has abused alcohol; and

WHEREAS, alcohol is a primary factor in the four leading causes of death for young persons ages 10-21; and

WHEREAS, young people who begin drinking before age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcohol dependence than those who begin drinking at age 21; and

WHEREAS, alcohol-related problems cost America \$224 billion (\$746 per person) in lost productivity, absenteeism, healthcare costs, crime and family-related problems; and

WHEREAS, the typical American will see 100,000 beer commercials before he or she turns 18,

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved that I Fritz X. Haemmerle, Mayor of City of Hailey, join the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. (NCADD) and do hereby proclaim that April 2013 is NCADD Alcohol Awareness Month in Hailey. As the Mayor, I also call upon all citizens, parents, governmental agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, hospitals and schools in Hailey to support efforts that will reduce stigma, increase community awareness and increase support for individuals and families coping with alcoholism. Through these efforts, together, we can provide help for those in our community who are facing challenges with alcohol use and abuse. May it be so decreed.

Dated this 15th day of April, 2013 and approved by the Hailey City Council in their regularly scheduled meeting.

Fritz X. Haemmerle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Cone, City Clerk

Proclamation
Fair Housing Month

WHEREAS, April 2013 marks the 45th anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, commonly known as the Federal Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS, the Idaho Human Rights Commission Act has prohibited discrimination in housing since 1969; and

WHEREAS, equal opportunity for all-regardless of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status or national origin-is a fundamental goal of our nation, state and city; and

WHEREAS, equal access to housing is an important component of this goal-as fundamental as the right to equal education and employment; and

WHEREAS, housing is a critical component of family and community health and stability and

WHEREAS, housing choice impacts our children's access to education, our ability to seek and retain employment options, the cultural benefits we enjoy, the extent of our exposure to crime and drugs, and the quality of health care we receive in emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the laws of this nation and our state seek to ensure such equality of choice for all transactions involving housing; and

WHEREAS, ongoing education, outreach and monitoring are key to raising awareness of fair housing principles, practices, rights and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, only through continued cooperation, commitment and support of all Idahoans can barriers to fair housing be removed;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fritz Haemmerle, Mayor of City of Hailey, Blaine County, do hereby proclaim April 2012 to be

FAIR HOUSING MONTH

In the City of Hailey, Blaine County, State of Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand at the City of Hailey on this ____ day of April in the year 2013.

Fritz Haemmerle, Mayor

Mary Cone, City Clerk



March 19, 2013

Hailey City Council
c/o Micah Austin
City of Hailey
115 Main Street South, Suite H
Hailey, ID 83333

Dear City Council members,

In late February, the Board of Directors of the BCRD (Blaine County Recreation District) passed a resolution calling for a county wide special levy election to be held on May 21, 2013. The levy election would be for the purpose of funding the expenses to reconstruct, resurface and rehabilitate the existing 20-mile Wood River Trail multi-use path from Bellevue to north of Ketchum.

The Wood River Trail is a multi-use, non-motorized path that connects the communities of the Wood River Valley. According to 2012 trail count estimates, the Wood River Trail sees over 300,000 visits per year enabling healthy, active recreation such as walking, biking, running, rollerblading and cross country skiing for residents and visitors alike.

Working in partnership with the community, the BCRD began construction of the Wood River Trail back in 1984, and the path has been maintained by the BCRD each year through regular seal coating, crack filling and other maintenance. Given the path is approaching 30 years of age, more significant resurfacing and rehabilitation becomes an important consideration to restore the useful life of this vital artery. The proposed levy would fund those expenses at a total cost of \$3.5 million or \$1.75 million a year for a two-year period.

With this letter, we wanted to share more information with the Hailey City Council members and the staff at the city for their review and consideration. We also wanted to thank the City of Hailey for their partnership in maintaining this public amenity as a vital part of their community. Included are a copy of the BCRD resolution, a summary of the proposal, a general FAQ sheet, and finally a recommended initial project plan. We look forward to sharing more of this information, answering any questions, and meeting with the council and staff in the coming months. Please don't hesitate to reach me anytime at jkeating@bcrd.org. More information on the project is also available at www.bcrd.org.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Keating', is written over a printed name.

Jim Keating
Executive Director, BCRD

**BLAINE COUNTY RECREATION DISTRICT
Blaine County, Idaho**

**RESOLUTION CALLING
SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION**

WHEREAS, the Blaine County Recreation District, Blaine County, Idaho (the "District") has determined it advisable to certify an additional levy in the amount of \$1,750,000 in each of two fiscal years, commencing with the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013, through fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, for a total additional levy of \$3,500,000 for the purpose of funding the lawful expenses to reconstruct, resurface, and rehabilitate the existing 20-mile Wood River Trail multi-use path from Bellevue to north of Ketchum to safely ensure another estimated thirty years of useful life for use for non-motorized biking, walking, hiking, running, horseback riding, rollerblading, and cross country skiing, and, in order to do so, desires to provide for the holding of an election.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the District as follows:

Section 1. That a special levy election be held, and the same is hereby called to be held in the District on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the question set out in the form of the ballot appearing in Section 4 hereof.

Section 2. That the election will be conducted by the County Clerk of Blaine County, Idaho (the "County Clerk") pursuant to Idaho Code Section 34-1401.

Section 3. That the Notice of Special Levy Election will be in substantially the following form, and the District will provide the form thereof to the County Clerk and cause the County Clerk to publish the same as required by Idaho Code Section 34-1406.

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL LEVY ELECTION
BLAINE COUNTY RECREATION DISTRICT,
BLAINE COUNTY, IDAHO**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN according to law and requisite action by the Board of Directors of the Blaine County Recreation District, Blaine County, Idaho (the "District"), that a special levy election will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2013, in the District for the purpose of submitting the following question to the qualified electors of said District for vote at precinct polling sites open 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.:

Shall the Board of Directors of the Blaine County Recreation District, Blaine County, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to certify an additional levy for the purpose of funding the lawful expenses to reconstruct, resurface, and rehabilitate the existing 20-mile Wood River Trail multi-use path from Bellevue to north of Ketchum to safely ensure another estimated thirty years of useful life for use for non-motorized biking, walking, hiking, running, horseback riding, rollerblading, and cross country skiing? This additional levy includes the amount of One Million Seven Hundred

Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,750,000) each year for two fiscal years commencing with the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013, through fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, for a total additional levy of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000).

The election will be conducted by the County Clerk of Blaine County, Idaho, pursuant to Idaho Code Section 34-1401.

The following statement is required by Section 34-439A, Idaho Code, as amended:

The purpose for which the additional levy shall be used is to pay the lawful expenses to reconstruct, resurface and rehabilitate the existing 20-mile Wood River Trail multi-use path from Bellevue to north of Ketchum to safely ensure another estimated thirty years of useful life for use for non-motorized biking, walking, hiking, running, horseback riding, rollerblading, and cross country skiing, for the two fiscal years beginning October 1, 2013, and ending September 30, 2015. The date of the District's special levy election is May 21, 2013. The amount estimated to be collected from the additional levy is One Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,750,000) each year for the two fiscal years for a total of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000).

[End of Form Notice of Election]

Section 4. That the official ballot will be in substantially the following form and the District will convey such form to the County Clerk for publication in compliance with and pursuant to Idaho Code Section 34-1406:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

**TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF BLAINE COUNTY RECREATION DISTRICT, BLAINE COUNTY, IDAHO,
TO CERTIFY AN ADDITIONAL LEVY**

Shall the Board of Directors of the Blaine County Recreation District, Blaine County, Idaho, be authorized and empowered to certify an additional levy for the purpose of funding the lawful expenses to reconstruct, resurface, and rehabilitate the existing 20-mile Wood River Trail multi-use path from Bellevue to north of Ketchum to safely ensure another estimated thirty years of useful life for use for non-motorized biking, walking, hiking, running, horseback riding, rollerblading, and cross country skiing? This additional levy includes the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,750,000) each year for two fiscal years commencing with the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013,

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through fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, for a total additional levy of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000).

IN FAVOR OF additional levy of \$1,750,000 each year for two fiscal years: _____
AGAINST additional levy of \$1,750,000 each year for two fiscal years: _____

The following statement is required by Section 34-439A, Idaho Code, as amended:

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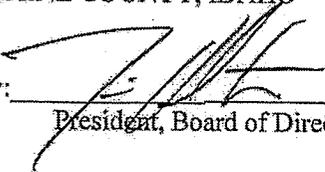
[End of Official Ballot]

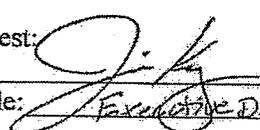
Section 5. That the County Commissioners of Blaine County will act as the canvassing board pursuant to Idaho Code Section 34-1410, and will certify the results to the District for acceptance by the District's Board of Directors.

Section 6. That if at the election a simple majority of the qualified registered electors of the District authorize such levy, the levy shall be certified by the Board of Directors of the District by adoption of a resolution, and the resolution shall be provided to the Blaine County Commissioners pursuant to Section 63-804, and the levy shall be in effect for the fiscal years beginning October 1, 2013, and ending September 30, 2015.

Passed and approved this 22nd day of February, 2013.

BLAINE COUNTY RECREATION DISTRICT,
BLAINE COUNTY, IDAHO

By:  _____
President, Board of Directors

Attest:  _____
Title: Executive Director, BCRD

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Wood River Trail Multi Use Path Proposed Reconstruction/Rehabilitation Information February 2013

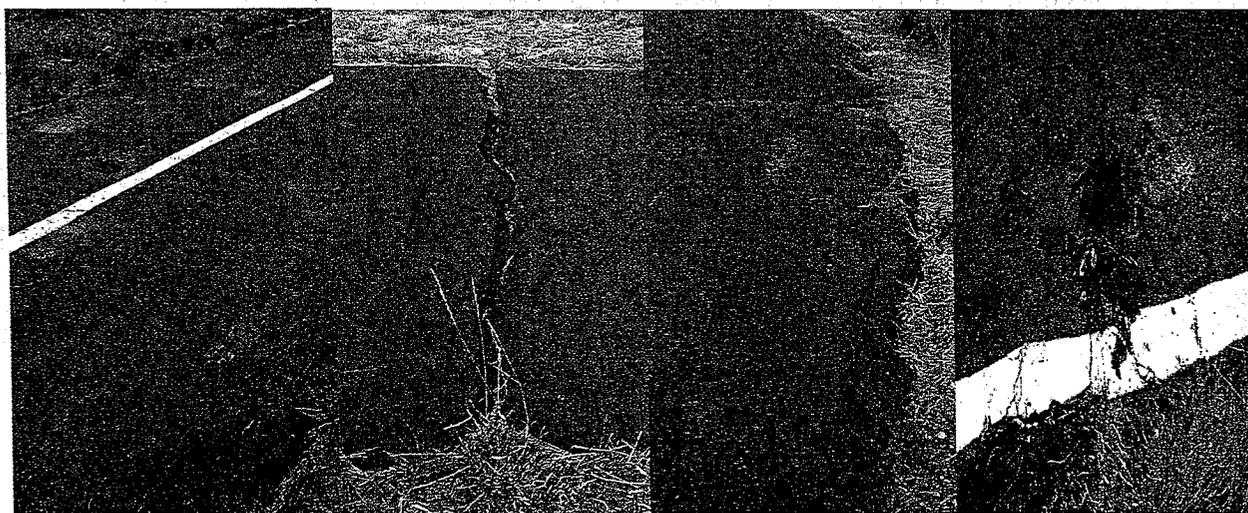
Background:

The Wood River Trail multi use path is a 20 mile paved community asset constructed over a 7-year period starting in 1984. The path is operated and managed by the Blaine County Recreation District as an open, active non-motorized recreation corridor. Recent 2012 trail count studies estimate more than 300,000 annual visits in all seasons: biking, hiking, running, equestrian access, rollerblading, and cross country skiing. This unique community asset not only physically connects Blaine County and the cities of Bellevue, Hailey, Ketchum, and Sun Valley but also symbolically binds the community together around a shared value of a healthy, active outdoor lifestyle.

The Need:

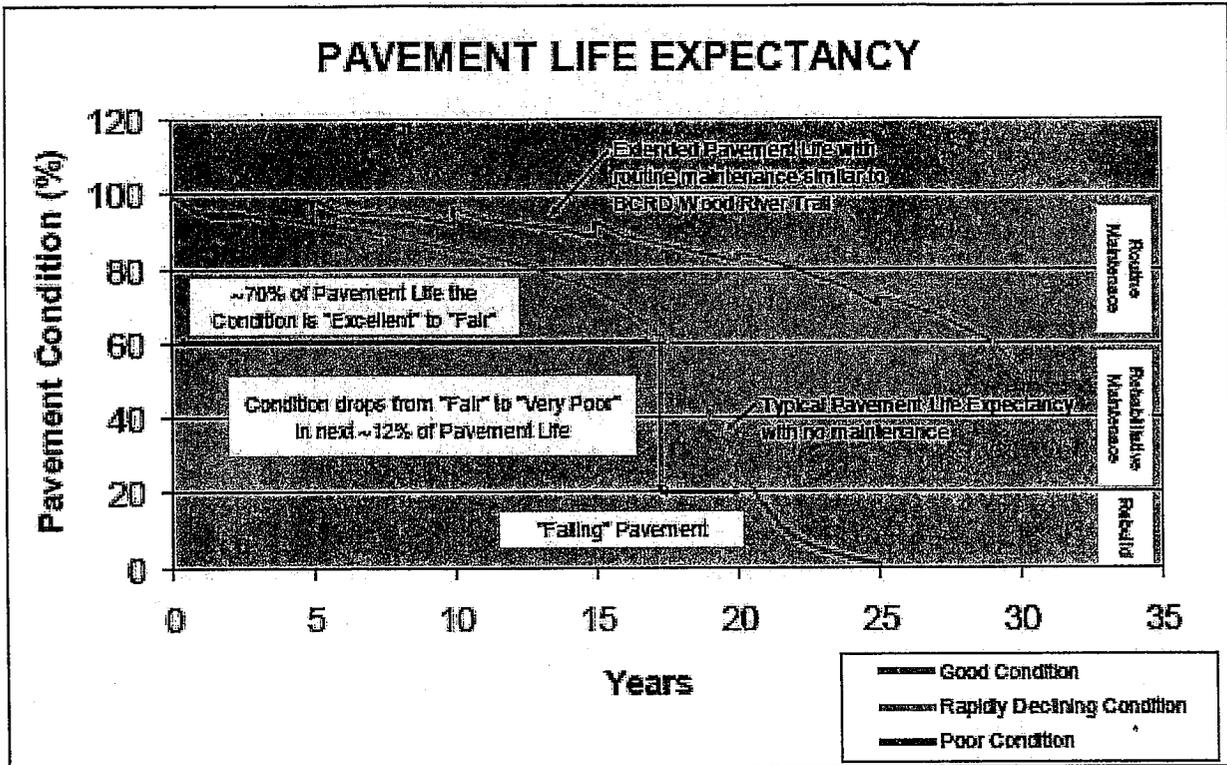
As the path approaches the age of 30 years, we must consider sustaining the next chapter of the Wood River Trail. The Blaine County Recreation District has adhered to normal annual maintenance procedures like crack filling and seal coating, but the trail is swiftly reaching the end of a normal 25-30 year life cycle where more significant reconstruction and resurfacing must be considered for the next 25-30 year cycle.

To that end, the BCRD (Blaine County Recreation District) commissioned Galena Engineering in the summer of 2012 to complete an audit of the condition of the path asphalt and base. The results of the audit indicate the path has a remaining service life of 10 years on average and less than 10 years in critical sections. Key issues include the following:



Edge & Alligator Cracking Transverse Cracking Longitudinal Cracking Potholes-Root Protrusion

A normal life cycle for a paved multi use path of this type is 30 years or less. This assessment places the path right on the precipice of a trend that marks the transition from a linear decline over time to a more exponential decline over time. This is a critical moment to reconsider the value of the trail to the community and major resurfacing and reconstruction efforts to cost effectively ensure the next thirty years of estimated life.



*Source: Galena Engineering Asphalt Path Evaluation, February 2013

Proposed Solution:

In consultation with Galena Engineering, the BCRD has developed an efficient project plan to ensure the path’s role in the community for the next chapter. The project would focus on every major section of the Wood River Trail from Bellevue to Hulen Meadows and include a combination of a recycling/resurfacing approach called “RABS” (Recycled Asphalt Base Stabilization) combined with targeted asphalt repair/replacement & base repair. This approach would enable the most efficient and cost effective approach enabling a process that recycles much of the existing asphalt material, avoids significant asphalt removal, and provides a renewed, strong surface with a resulting estimated service life of 30 years of future life. Estimated cost utilizing this approach is estimated at \$3.5 million though total costs would scale for reconstruction if the path deteriorates further until the end of its current service life of 10 years. The BCRD is targeting a multi year project, pending community support, that would complete all reconstruction and renewal over a two-year period. Key to this final project plan will be a robust, safe rerouting of existing traffic and public education.

Funding Approach for Public Consideration

The BCRD has actively engaged different grant opportunities over the last four years but federal and state level funding sources have been extremely limited and the future looks even less promising for a project of this scale.

The BCRD Board of Directors is steadfast in its advocacy and stewardship of this community asset. In February of 2013, the BCRD Board of Directors passed a resolution calling for a special levy election on May 21, 2013 for an additional two year levy to reconstruct, resurface, and rehabilitate the Wood River Trail from Bellevue to north of Ketchum to restore its useful life for another estimated 30 years of useful life. The levy would require majority support (50%+) from the special levy election and would total the amount of \$3.5 million or \$1.75 million per year for two years. Based on Blaine County 2012 calculated total taxable value, this cost is estimated at about \$21 per \$100,000 of taxable value per year for two years.



**Wood River Trail Reconstruction and Rehabilitation
Frequently Asked Questions
February 2013**

How many visits are there each year on the Wood River Trail?

Recent trail count studies completed in 2012 estimate more than 300,000 annual visits by locals and visitors to the Wood River Trail path running from Bellevue to north of Ketchum.

What is the path used for?

The path is operated and managed by the Blaine County Recreation District as an open, active non-motorized recreation corridor in all seasons of the year. Uses include biking, hiking, running, equestrian access, rollerblading, and cross country skiing.

How old is the Wood River Trail?

The first sections of the Wood River Trail were constructed in 1984. The path on average is 25-30 years of age.

What is wrong with the path?

The trail is swiftly reaching the end of a normal 25-30 year life cycle where more significant reconstruction and resurfacing must be considered to ensure the next 25-30 year cycle. Key distresses to the asphalt increase safety risks and include transverse cracking, alligator cracking, longitudinal cracking, potholes from root protrusion, shrinkage cracking, and deficient drainage.

What is the Wood River Trail Rehabilitation Project?

This project is the recommended set of treatments based on engineering analysis of the path & proposed by the BCRD Board of Directors primarily on the asphalt surface itself to restore the path by most efficiently reusing much of the materials in place, or alternatively, we could wait a few years and likely expect a much more involved and expensive rehabilitation process.

Why do we need a levy?

The BCRD manages and maintains the path every year utilizing funds from its existing, annual levy in the county from property tax contributions. These existing funds finance annual maintenance of the path for activities like crack filling, seal coating, weed mitigation, etc. The costs of more significant reconstruction and rehabilitation associated with a path nearing the end of its life cycle are more significant.

Why now?

A normal life cycle for a paved multi use path of this type is 30 years or less. This assessment places the path right on the precipice of a trend that marks the transition from a linear

decline over time to a more exponential decline over time. Now is the time to reconstruct before the path deteriorates more rapidly and requires a more extensive and costly fix.

When will the levy be voted on?

The special levy election is scheduled for a vote on May 21, 2013 of the current year.

How much will the proposed levy raise?

The proposed additional levy would total \$3.5 million, amounting to \$1.75 million per year for two years. This cost is based on engineering estimates of the recommended project provided by Galena Engineering with additional inputs on current costs for path reconstruction provided by local service providers.

What will it cost an average household in the community?

Based on Blaine County 2012 calculated total taxable value, this cost is estimated at about \$21 per \$100,000 of taxable value per year for two years.

If successful, how long would the additional levy be in place?

If the additional levy is successful, it would be in place for a period of two years.

What does the levy need to pass?

The additional levy would need a simple majority of more than 50% support to pass.

What exactly would the levy fund?

The project would focus on every major section of the Wood River Trail from Bellevue to Hulen Meadows and include a combination of a recycling/resurfacing approach called "RABS" (Recycled Asphalt Base Stabilization) combined with targeted asphalt repair/replacement & base repair.

Would this levy be in addition to the current annual levy to the BCRD?

Yes, the proposed additional levy would be in addition to the existing annual levy for a period of two years and then conclude.

When would the project and construction begin and end?

If the measure is passed, the construction is targeted to begin in the summer of 2014 and be finished in the summer of 2015.

How would construction affect my use of the Trail?

All construction and rehabilitation efforts would be scheduled to safely minimize user impacts as much as possible over the two-year period and be coordinated with potential neighboring projects. The key strategy would be to design and educate the public about targeted rerouting plans around resurfacing areas during the time they are being rehabilitated.

How will the Wood River Trail be maintained once the rehabilitation is completed?

The BCRD plans to continue its annual maintenance responsibilities that will most effectively extend the reconstruction and resurfacing work. Those activities include annual seal coating,

crack filling, weed mitigation etc.

What kind of accountability is there to ensure the funds are used wisely?

The board of the BCRD is an elected body of officials who would oversee and be accountable to the public for the effective and fiscally responsible execution of these funds for this project.

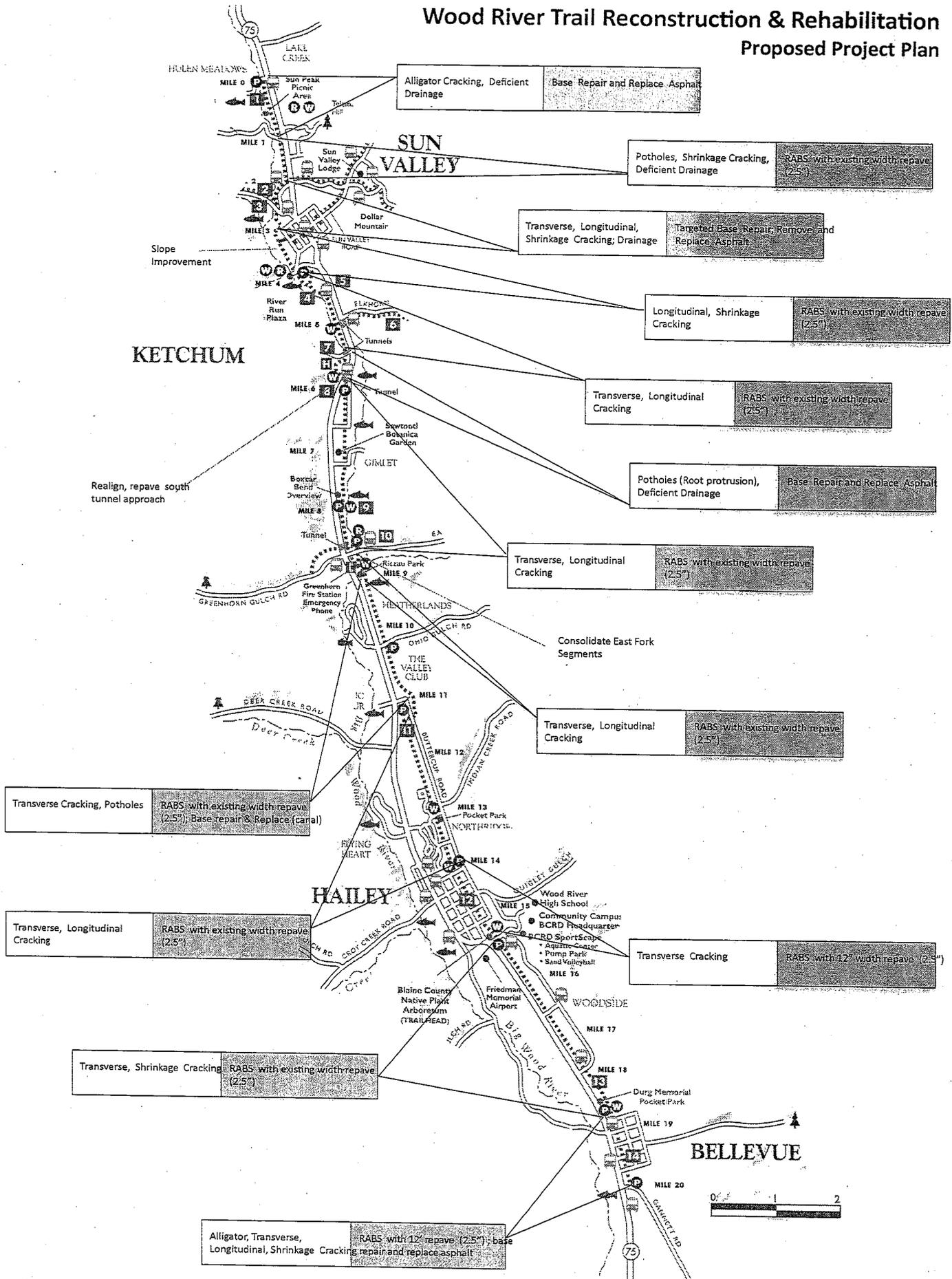
Who will do the work?

Pending community support, the BCRD would initiate a public bidding process for work to begin in summer of 2014 and conclude in 2015, and those bids would be reviewed by the Board of Directors of the BCRD.

How can I learn more?

More information is available at www.bcrd.org under the "Wood River Trail Reconstruction & Rehabilitation" link. The BCRD can also be reached at 208 578 2273 with any additional questions. The BCRD is also in the process of scheduling public meetings for the month of April to present the proposed project and gather public feedback and input.

Wood River Trail Reconstruction & Rehabilitation Proposed Project Plan



*Source: Asphalt Path Evaluation – Galena Engineering – February 2013

