



2015

CAP SIS Project Number 63005

Legislative District - Areawide

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Greenbelt Trail Bridge Rehabilitation

Project Description:

The failure of the Westchester North Lagoon Bridge in June 2014 on the Coastal Trail was caused by a connection detail that allowed a constant influx of moisture into the main supporting beam, which caused decay. Due to the failure of this bridge, a Coastal Trail Bridge Assessment was conducted and found that all the Coastal Trail bridges suffer from the same issues and concerns as the bridge that failed.

We will implement a multi-year, comprehensive repair program to address serious safety and security concerns on 250 miles of paved greenbelt trails. The plan of prioritized elements will include the rehabilitation/replacement of existing trail structures (pedestrian bridges and underpasses), asphalt patching, resurfacing, amenity upgrades and signage/wayfinding, as they each relate to the structures and their improved safety.

Funding requested will be matched by a \$1,500,000 2015 bond request, and \$200,000 of residual bond funds from prior years. Funds will be used to replace Coastal Trail bridges first, in districts 20-J, 18-I, and 21-K. The remaining funds of \$200,000 from previous Municipal bonds will be used for preliminary design and engineering.

The conditions of the bridges on the Coastal Trail are exemplary of the bridge conditions on the rest of the trail system. There are 37 bridges along the Coastal, Campbell Creek, and Chester Creek Trails. This funding request matched by public and private money will be part of a multi-year funding strategy to replace infrastructure over the next 15-20 years.

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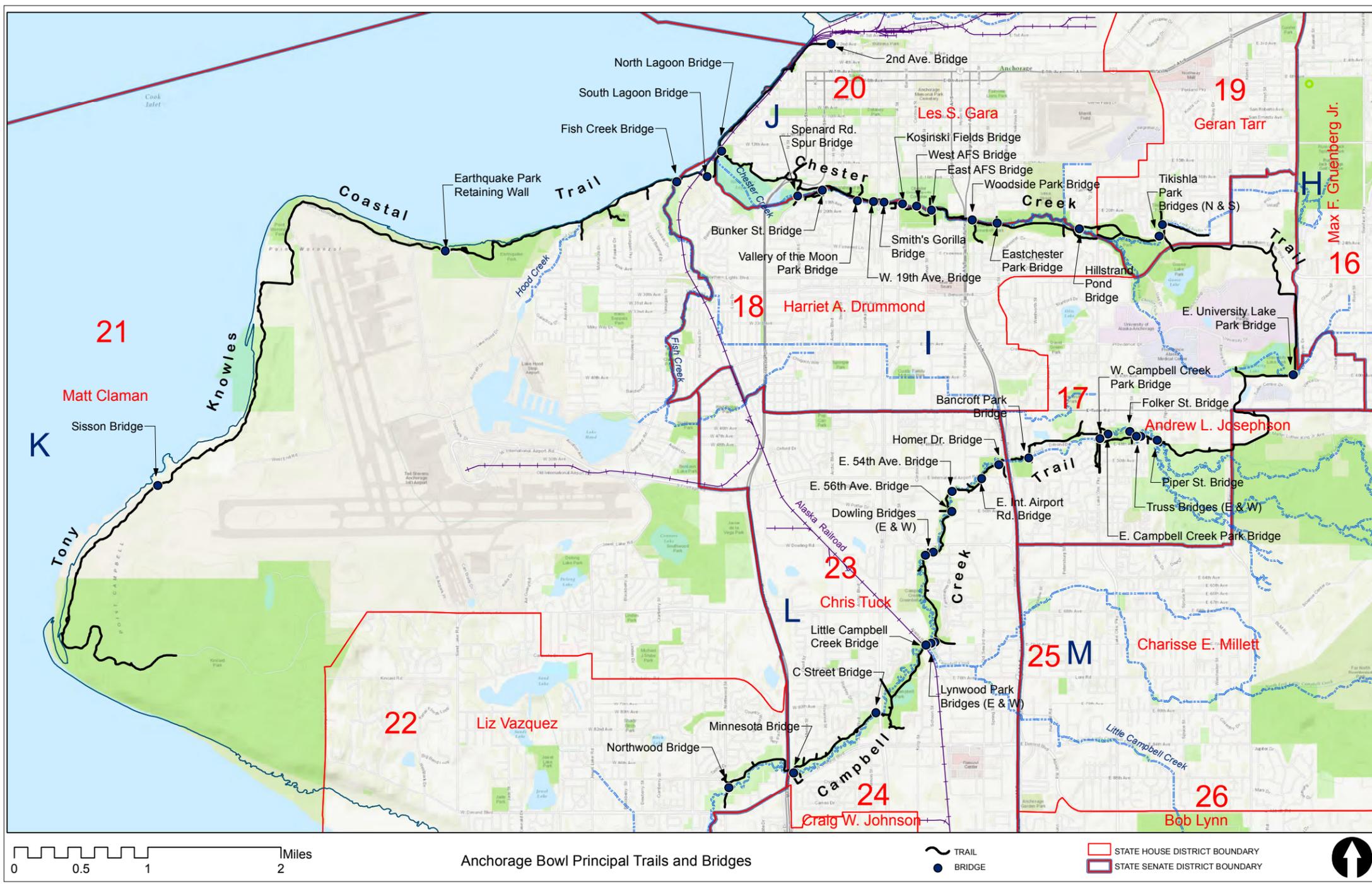
Anchorage has 10,946 acres of municipal parkland, 223 parks, and over 250 miles of trails and greenbelts that link neighborhoods with surrounding natural open space and wildlife habitat. These are considerable assets for the citizens of Anchorage to enjoy and maintain.

Parks & Recreation launched the Clean & Green, Safe & Secure Campaign with the Anchorage Park Foundation to upgrade the safety, function, and appearance of Anchorage parks. To get involved, call 343-4587.



Project Cost Estimate

Project Budget	Cost
1. Fix & Replace Failing Bridges	\$3,200,000
Total	\$3,200,000
Funding:	
1. 2012 Municipal Bond	\$200,000
2. 2015 Municipal Bond	\$1,500,000
Total 2016 Legislative Request	\$1,500,000



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