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# STATE OF NEBRASKA

**DEPARTMENT OF ROADS**  
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January 8, 2016

The Honorable Pete Ricketts  
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and

Mr. President, Mr. Speaker and  
Members of the Legislature  
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Dear Governor Ricketts and Members of the Legislature:

According to the provisions of *Section 39-1392 R.R.S. 1998*, I am submitting One-Year and Five-Year Programs of anticipated design, construction, maintenance and improvements for our State's recreation roads. This includes exterior access roads as well as interior service roads.

*Section 39-1392, R.R.S. 1998* provides that only projects certified by the Game and Parks Commission may be included in the Recreation Roads One-Year and Five-Year Programs. The attached programs and projects do comply with that provision.

The following documents are attached for your review:

1. One (1) Year Program (for calendar year 2016): This report includes both certified (capital improvement) and maintenance (resurfacing and restoration) projects anticipated for the next calendar year.
2. Five (5) Year Certified Program (for calendar years 2017 through 2021): This is a report of anticipated resurfacing and restoration projects/capital improvement projects which have been identified and certified by the Game and Parks Commission. Many of these projects have not yet been programmed.
3. Certified Recreation Road Construction Plan: This is a long-term listing of capital improvement priorities, as identified by the Game and Parks Commission.

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4. Financial Status of the Recreation Road Fund – Fund Number 2672: This report shows the current and future financial status of the State Recreation Road Fund, as reported by our Controller Division.

The Department of Roads pays close attention to resurfacing, restoring and maintaining the State's existing recreation roads. After annual inspections, we prioritize the required maintenance projects, carefully considering the condition of each road and the available recreation road funding. Our One (1) Year Program for recreation roads currently identifies an estimated \$4.5 million of needs.

As you can see, the estimated cost for the projects shown in our Five (5) Year Certified Program alone greatly exceeds the anticipated fund accrual during the same period, based upon approximately \$4.1 million per year accruing into the Recreation Road Fund. This capital improvement plan will change as maintenance needs arise and the priorities of the Game and Parks Commission shift. We will work diligently to balance these capital improvement goals with the maintenance needs of our existing recreation roads.

The Department of Roads wishes to acknowledge excellent cooperation from the Game and Parks Commission during the planning, design and construction of these important projects.

If additional detail or explanation of our stewardship of the State Recreation Road Program is desired, we will be pleased to provide it upon request. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Kyle Schneweis, P.E.  
Director

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Attachments

cc: Roger Kuhn, Game & Parks Commission  
Craig Wacker, Game & Parks Commission

One (1) Year Program  
 Nebraska Department of Roads  
 State Recreation Road Program

Summary of Resurfacing & Restoration Needs  
 for Calendar Year 2016<sup>(1)</sup>

| 2016               |        |                               |               |        |           |                  |
|--------------------|--------|-------------------------------|---------------|--------|-----------|------------------|
| Project No.        | Type/Y | Recreation Area               | County        | Length |           | Funds            |
| SRR-58(10)         | M/N    | Calamus SRA                   | Loup/Garfield | 0.25   | \$        | 500,000          |
| SRR-54(19)         | M/N    | Niobrara SP                   | Knox          | 7.74   | \$        | 3,400,000        |
| SRR-1185(10)       | M      | Alliance Cemetery             | Box Butte     | 2      | \$        | 360,000          |
| SRR-               | N      | Ponca State Park Pool Parking | Dixon         | NA     | \$        | 200,000          |
| <b>FY 16 Total</b> |        |                               |               |        | <b>\$</b> | <b>4,460,000</b> |

N = New Project

M = Maintenance Project

Notes: (1) Does not include minor maintenance work, such as crack seal and patching.

Five (5) Year Program  
Nebraska Department of Roads  
State Recreation Road Program

Summary of Resurfacing & Restoration Needs/Capital Improvements  
for Calendar Years 2017 – 2021<sup>(1)</sup>

| 2017              |          |                          |               |        |           |                  |
|-------------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------|--------|-----------|------------------|
| Project No.       | Type/Yr. | Recreation Area          | County        | Length |           | Funds            |
| SRR-              | N/17     | Platte River SP          | Cass          | 0.5    | \$        | 420,000          |
| SRR-              | N/17     | Mahoney SP Entrance      | Cass          | 0.5    | \$        | 374,000          |
| SRR-              | N/17     | Mormon Island SRA        | Hall          | 2.1    | \$        | 1,002,000        |
| SRR-              | N/17     | Lake McConaughy SRA      | Keith         | 2.87   | \$        | 1,750,000        |
| SRR-              | N/17     | Lake Ogallala            | Keith         | 1.3    | \$        | 750,000          |
| SRR13(39)         | N/17     | E.T. Mahoney SP          | Cass          | 3      | \$        | 1,500,000        |
| <b>2017 Total</b> |          |                          |               |        | <b>\$</b> | <b>5,796,000</b> |
| 2018              |          |                          |               |        |           |                  |
| Project No.       | Type/Yr. | Recreation Area          | County        | Length |           | Funds            |
| SRR-              | N/18     | Fort Kearney SRA         | Buffalo       | 3.3    | \$        | 920,000          |
| SRR-              | N/18     | Clamus SRA               | Loop/Garfield | 10.4   | \$        | 4,500,000.00     |
| <b>2018 Total</b> |          |                          |               |        | <b>\$</b> | <b>5,420,000</b> |
| 2019              |          |                          |               |        |           |                  |
| Project No.       | Type/Yr. | Recreation Area          | County        | Length |           | Funds            |
| SRR-              | M,N/19   | Merritt SRA              | Cherry        | 9      | \$        | 3,900,000        |
| SRR-              | N/19     | Fremont SRA              | Dodge         | 2      | \$        | 1,600,000        |
| SRR-              | M/19     | Branched Oak/Wagon Train | Lancaster     | 6.8    | \$        | 595,000          |
| <b>2019 Total</b> |          |                          |               |        | <b>\$</b> | <b>6,095,000</b> |
| 2020              |          |                          |               |        |           |                  |
| Project No.       | Type/Yr. | Recreation Area          | County        | Length |           | Funds            |
| SRR-              | N,M/20   | Wildcat Hills SRA        | Scottsbluff   | 1.75   | \$        | 1,700,000        |
| SRR-              | N/20     | Summit Lake SRA          | Burt          | 3      | \$        | 2,400,000        |
| SRR-              | N/20     | Lake Maloney SRA         | Lincoln       | 3.4    | \$        | 1,800,000        |
| SRR-              | M,N/20   | Weigand/Burbach SRA      | Knox          | 2      | \$        | 900,000          |
| <b>2020 Total</b> |          |                          |               |        | <b>\$</b> | <b>6,800,000</b> |

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**TABLE II**  
**Game and Parks Commission**  
**DECEMBER 2015 REPORT**  
**CERTIFIED RECREATION ROAD CONSTRUCTION PLAN**

| Priority     | Area                            | Project Number | Miles of Road |              | Type     | Estimated Cost      |
|--------------|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|----------|---------------------|
|              |                                 |                | Interior      | Exterior     |          |                     |
| 1            | Platte River SP                 | SRR-           | 0.50          |              | New      | \$420,000           |
| 2            | Mahoney ADA Camp/Entrance/Cabin | SRR            | 0.50          |              | New      | \$374,000           |
| 3            | Mormon Island SRA               | SRR-           | 2.10          |              | New      | \$1,002,000         |
| 4            | Lake Ogallala SRA               | SRR-           | 5.50          |              | New      | \$750,000           |
| 5            | Lake McConaughy SRA             | SRR-           | 2.87          |              | New/Main | \$1,750,000         |
| 6            | Merritt SRA                     | SRR-16(3)      | 2.00          | 7.00         | New/Main | \$3,900,000         |
| 7            | Fremont north SRA               | SRR-           | 2.00          |              | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 8            | Wild Cat Hill SRA               | SRR-           | 1.75          |              | New      | \$1,750,000         |
| 9            | Fort Kearny SRA                 | SRR-           | 3.30          |              | New/Main | \$920,000           |
| 10           | Summit Lake SRA                 | SRR-           | 3.00          |              | New      | \$2,400,000         |
| 11           | Lake Maloney                    | SRR-           | 2.40          | 1.00         | New      | \$1,800,000         |
| 12           | Wagon Train SRA                 | SRR-           | 1.60          |              | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 13           | Wiegand/Burbach                 | SRR-           | 2.00          |              | New/Main | \$900,000           |
| 14           | Alliance Cemetary               | SRR-           | 2.00          |              | Main     | \$300,000           |
| 28           | Stagecoach SRA                  | SRR-           | 1.50          |              | New      | \$1,000,000         |
| 19           | Sherman SRA *                   | SRR-           |               | 9.00         | New      | \$265,000           |
| 20           | Sherman SRA *                   | SRR-           | 0.50          |              | New      | \$400,000           |
| 21           | Lewis and Clark Bloomfield SRA  | SRR-           | 2.00          | 1.00         | New      | \$2,640,000         |
| 22           | Smith Falls SP                  | SRR            | 0.50          | 4.00         | New      | \$3,200,000         |
| 24           | Ponca SP Elk Bend               | SRR-           | 1.00          | 7.00         | New      | \$5,600,000         |
| 25           | Bridgeport SRA                  | SRR-           | 2.00          |              | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 26           | Memphis SRA                     | SRR-           | 1.00          |              | New      | \$1,000,000         |
| 27           | Conestoga SRA                   | SRR-           | 1.50          | 1.00         | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 29           | Alexandria SRA                  | SRR            | 1.00          | 1.00         | New      | \$1,000,000         |
| 30           | Swanson SRA                     | SRR-           | 6.00          |              | New      | \$4,000,000         |
| 31           | Enders Reservoir SRA - Area B   | SRR-           | 2.10          |              | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 32           | Olive Creek SRA                 | SRR-           | 1.00          |              | New      | \$880,000           |
| 33           | Rockford SRA                    | SRR-           | 1.50          |              | New      | \$880,000           |
| 34           | Box Butte SRA                   | SRR-           | 2.00          |              | New/Main | \$1,600,000         |
| 35           | Walgren Lake SRA                | SRR-           |               | 3.30         | New      | \$3,000,000         |
| 36           | Elwood WMA                      | SRR-           | 2.10          |              | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 37           | Victoria Springs SRA            | SRR-           | 2.00          |              | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 38           | Keller SRA                      | SRR-           | 2.00          |              | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 39           | Johnson Lake SRA                | SRR-           | 3.00          |              | New/Main | \$4,800,000         |
| 40           | Gallagher Canyon SRA            | SRR-           | 1.00          | 1.00         | New      | \$1,600,000         |
| 41           | Sutherland SRA                  | SRR-           | 3.00          |              | New      | \$2,640,000         |
| 42           | Riverview Marina SRA            | SRR-           | 1.00          |              | New      | \$880,000           |
| 43           | Dead Timber SRA                 | SRR-           | 1.60          |              | New      | \$900,000           |
| <b>TOTAL</b> |                                 |                | <b>70.82</b>  | <b>35.30</b> |          | <b>\$65,351,000</b> |

\* Projects waiting on Federal dollars and County match.

## FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE RECREATION ROAD FUND FUND NUMBER 2672

### CALENDAR YEAR 2016

#### **RESOURCES**

|  |            |  |
|--|------------|--|
| Anticipated Fund Balance January 1, 2016     | 10,265,174 |  |
| Estimated Motor Vehicle Registration Revenue | 3,857,000  |  |
| Total Resources                              | 14,122,174 |  |

#### **OBLIGATIONS/EXPENDITURES**

|  |              |  |
|--|--------------|--|
| Required to Liquidate Current Obligations                | (6,754,290)  |  |
| Required for Certified Program/Resurfacing & Restoration | (4,460,000)  |  |
| Required for Emergency Maintenance & Contingencies       | (250,000)    |  |
| Anticipated Administration Costs                         | (230,000)    |  |
| Total Obligations/Expenditures                           | (11,694,290) |  |

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| Anticipated Fund Balance December 31, 2016 |  | \$ <u>2,427,884</u> |
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### CALENDAR YEAR 2017

#### **RESOURCES**

|  |           |  |
|--|-----------|--|
| Anticipated Fund Balance January 1, 2017     | 2,427,884 |  |
| Estimated Motor Vehicle Registration Revenue | 4,131,000 |  |
| Total Resources                              | 6,558,884 |  |

#### **OBLIGATIONS/EXPENDITURES**

|  |             |  |
|--|-------------|--|
| Planned Program/Resurfacing & Restoration          | (5,796,000) |  |
| Required for Emergency Maintenance & Contingencies | (250,000)   |  |
| Anticipated Administration Costs                   | (122,000)   |  |
| Total Obligations/Expenditures                     | (6,168,000) |  |

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|--|--|-------------------|
| Anticipated Fund Balance December 31, 2017 |  | \$ <u>390,884</u> |
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| Total Projected Resources Available<br>For Five Year Program CY-2017 through CY-2021 |  | \$ 20,655,000 |
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