

David's Summary of Bicycle Facility Construction in Springfield Area –

July 2024

News : The City of Springfield has been awarded a RAISE (Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity) Grant to constructing three sections of connecting trails: College Street enhancements for bicycling from main Avenue to Jordan Creek and Jordan Creek Trail from College Street to Mt.Vernon Street, Wilsons Creek Trail from Hillcrest Avenue to Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park, and Cherokee Trail of Tears Trail paralleling Golden Avenue from Wilsons Creek Trail to South Creek Trail.

Events

- **Spring Roll** (5 and 10 mile no-drop slow rides): Sunday, July 21 at 6:00 p.m. at South Street Christian Church, 500 South Avenue, south parking lot.
- **Pancake Ride** (routes of 25, 31,51, and 62 miles), Saturday, August 10, Republic High School

Recently Completed Construction

- **Grant Avenue Parkway Project between Catalpa Street and Sunshine Street** includes a roundabout at Chrisman Drive for access to parking on each side of Grant Avenue, a sidepath for walking and bicycling, and burial of utility lines, and landscaping. The remaining work is a traffic signal and crosswalk upgrade at Sunshine Street.
- **Republic Road** between James River Freeway and Fairview Avenue including Campbell Avenue intersection is being widened to two through lanes east and west, double left turn lanes, right-turn slip lanes, bike lanes, sidewalks, and pedestrian signals. Bike lanes are to be extended from James River Freeway to Kansas Avenue.

Current Construction

- **Grant Avenue** between Catalpa Street and Walnut Street includes construction of a walk/bike path burial of utilities and landscaping.
- A trail is being built along **Wilson's Creek Boulevard (MO Hwy ZZ)** from the new roundabout at FR 182 to Republic Road.
- The **Chadwick Flyer Trail** which parallels N 21st Street in Ozark along the Tracker Marine Road (4,300 feet) from the existing trail near Garton Road to Biagio Street between July and December 2024.

Funded Construction (construction within next two years)

- **Renew Jordan:** Construction between Fall 2024 and Summer 2026 of a natural channel for Jordan Creek between Boonville Avenue and Main Avenue with a bikeway along the Water Street alignment and space for walking and enjoying the atmosphere.
- **Finley Farms Connector Trail** (500 feet) from Jackson Street bridge to new bridge at Finley Farms is funded.
- **Galloway Road** from Luster Avenue to Lone Pine Avenue is to be widened and levelled including two through lanes and a two-way left turn lane on a curb and gutter street and a sidewalk on one side and a bicycle sidepath on the other side and intersection modifications at each end. Construction is expected to begin this summer with completion in 2026.
- Extension of **South Creek Trail** along Sunset Street from National Avenue to Fremont Street (2025).
- Extension of **Jordan Creek Trail** across Smith Park to new trail along Division Street (2025)
- Reroute **Ward Branch Trail** to Lakewood Street to bypass culvert under Campbell Avenue (2024).
- **Division Street and National Avenue intersection** reconstruction with sidewalk improvements and bicycle lane and multiuse trail connections.

Under Design

- **Springfield**
 - The bridge on **Scenic Avenue over Wilson's Creek** will be rebuilt with a walk/bike sidepath in 2024.
 - **Renew Jordan Creek** is a project to bring Jordan Creek out of the culvert into daylight between Mill Street, Boonville Avenue, Water Street, and Main Street in an active park setting.
 - The bridge on **Main Avenue over Jordan Creek** will be rebuilt including sidewalk and sidepath on roadway surface.
 - **Walnut Street bridge over Jordan Creek** is to be replaced including provision for trail along Jordan Creek.
 - Extension of **South Creek Trail** along the north side of Meador Park from Fremont Avenue to Battlefield Mall Entrance.
 - **Jordan Creek Trail** connection with 10-foot side path along Sherman Avenue from Jordan Valley Park to Chestnut Expressway.
 - **Grand Street** 10-path from Jordan Creek Trail to National Avenue.
 - **Doling Creek Trail** from Doling Park to Norton Road as part of the I-44 construction project.
 - The **Jefferson Avenue Footbridge** over the BNSF Railroad is to be rehabilitated and accessible features added.
 - Construct **College Street** enhancements for bicycling from Main Avenue to Jordan Creek and construct **Jordan Creek Trail** from College Street to Mt. Vernon Street.
 - Construct **Wilson's Creek Trail** from Hillcrest Avenue to Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park.
 - Construct **Cherokee Trail of Tears Trail** paralleling Golden Avenue from Wilson's Creek Trail to South Creek Trail.
- **Ozark**
 - The **Chadwick Flyer Trail bridge over US Highway 65** in Ozark has been funded with construction expected by 2025.
 - **Garrison Springs Trail trailhead and parking lot** at East Jackson Street and 6th Avenue.
 - **Chadwick Flyer Trail Connector** along Parkview Street to Ozark High School.
- **Little Sac River Basin**
 - The **Dirt 66 suspension bridge** across the south arm of Fellows Lake connecting Stick Dance Trail and Chandler's Way Trail.
 - **Two new bridges on Fulbright Spring Trail** to replace the locations that the trail fords the river and is often under water in and near Lost Hill Park.
- **Republic** - The **Shuyler Creek Trail** (0.63 mile) along Farm Road 182 from State Route ZZ to Matteson Avenue is being designed and right-of-way is being acquired.
- **Battlefield – Trail of Tears Connector** along Elm St (FR 182) from Cloverdale Avenue to FR 131.
- **Niza – Cheyenne Trail** along Cheyenne Road and North Road from Summit Elementary School to Cheyenne Valley subdivision

Planning and Easement Acquisition

- The **Chadwick Flyer Trail** design study is underway for the BNSF track between Kissick Road and Sunshine Street. Negotiations are underway with BNSF to vacate that railroad to Ozark Greenways or City of Springfield.
- **Route 66/Strafford Trail** paralleling SR 00.
- Extension of **Ward Branch Trail** east to Fremont Avenue.