

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

August 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

- **Pancake Ride** (routes of 25, 31,51, and 62 miles), Saturday, August 10, Republic High School
- **Spring Roll** (5 and 10 mile no-drop slow rides): Sunday, August 18 at 6:00 p.m. at 216 W Central Street at Boonville Avenue.

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.
- **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 through December 2024.
- Reroute **Ward Branch Trail** to Lakewood Street west of Campbell Avenue to bypass culvert under Campbell Avenue (2024).
- **Division Street and National Avenue intersection** reconstruction with sidewalk improvements and bicycle lane and multiuse trail connections.

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)

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.