



North Dakota & South Dakota News



A family enjoys a nice day on a trail. Photo: NPS

PROJECTS AND PARTNERS 2014



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CURRENT PROJECTS

1. Philip Community Trail Projects
City of Philip
2. Yankton Sioux Tribe Boat Ramp
Yankton Sioux Tribe

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Recent Midwest Successes

Philip Community Trail Project

In 2012 and 2013, NPS staff assisted the community of Philip, South Dakota with a new trail project. Bringing community members together during three community engagement sessions, NPS staff facilitated the development of a four-phase trail plan. The four phases connect community assets, create safer environments for alternative transportation users, and accent the Bad River.

Phase one of the project involved a one-mile loop trail circling the Haakon-Jackson County fairgrounds, the Philip Pool, and a playground. With help from the Central South Dakota Economic Enhancement District (CSDEED), the city applied for a South Dakota Department of Transportation Transportation Alternatives Program grant. The trail received \$51,797 to complete the portion of trail

phase one connecting the pool and hospital. A \$20,000 match from the Philip Chamber of Commerce and a donation of land by a private owner along the planned trail route augmented this grant. The collaboration between the NPS, the CSDEED, and the community of Philip helped make this project a success.

“NPS staff are always looking for new project partners to help communities achieve on the ground results in areas of recreation and natural resource restoration.”

- David Thomson, Midwest RTCA Program Manager

We're Here For You!

Could your project could benefit from NPS Staff Assistance?
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2013 Nationwide Partnership Success

1,357 Miles of Trail Developed

736 Miles of River Conserved

20,270 Acres of Open Space and Park-land Protected

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South Dakota Current Projects

1. Philip Community Trail Project

Project Partner: City of Philip
NPS Contact: Kenny Points
Location: Philip, SD

Project Goal

Develop a trail that helps the city improve safety and health and that all members of the Philip community can use and enjoy.

NPS Role

Assist in bringing together community members for input, coordinating partners, locating funding sources, addressing community needs, and outlining a trail plan for the Philip community.



NPS staff facilitates a public input meeting.
Photo: NPS

2. Yankton Sioux Tribe Boat Ramp

Project Partner: Yankton Sioux Tribe
NPS Contact: Brian Leaders
Location: Greenwood, SD

Project Goal

Design and construct a boat ramp and community park facility at Greenwood

that would allow community members and the general public greater river access and connection with the Missouri River. This boat ramp would also provide access to a remote section of the Missouri National Recreational River which would increase emergency response time and allow access to a relatively undeveloped section of the Wild and Scenic River

NPS Role

Assist with the conceptual site planning that is necessary for the park and boat ramp.



The Missouri River near Chamberlain, South Dakota. Photo: NPS

ABOUT US

The Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance program is the community assistance arm of the National Park Service. Program staff provide technical assistance to community groups and local, state, and federal government agencies working to protect natural areas and water resources and enhance close-to-home outdoor recreation opportunities. We help communities plan, organize partnerships, and achieve on-the-ground success on projects they initiate.