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City of Dubuque Awarded State Grant for Iowa 32 Bike/Hike Trail (Phase 2)

DUBUQUE, Iowa -- On October 9, 2008, the Iowa Natural Resources Commission approved the City of Dubuque's \$200,000 grant application for Phase 2 of the Iowa 32 (Northwest Arterial) Bike/Hike Trail. Dubuque's application was ranked fifth out of the nine large cities applying for Fiscal Year 2009 REAP (Resource Enhancement and Protection) grant funds from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

The trail will begin at the intersection of John F. Kennedy Road with Iowa 32 and will extend westerly as a physically separated paved trail along the north side of Iowa 32 to the intersection of Plaza Drive with Iowa 32.

At its eastern terminus, Phase 2 of the Iowa 32 Bike/Hike Trail will link to Marshall Park and the Dubuque Arboretum and Botanical Gardens via on-street signed routes along West 32nd Street and Arboretum Drive.

At its western terminus, Phase 2 connects with Plaza Drive in the Asbury Plaza, a regional shopping center with restaurants, supermarket, movie theater, and other retail/service uses available to trail users.

The estimated total cost for Phase 2 is \$203,256. Construction is planned for 2009.

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Project maps are enclosed.