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Hominy Creek Trail

Dedication and Grand Opening

May 18, 2017



The newest Columbia trail is the first one that connects the north-east portion of the City to the trail system. Hominy Creek Trail is 2.9 miles long and took about 10 years to complete, from initial planning through all phases of development and construction.

The trail provides a continuous bicycle and pedestrian link from downtown Columbia north to Lillian Drive and surrounding neighborhoods. Hominy Creek Trail begins at the east end of Green Valley Drive and routes to the north of The Links apartment complex at Clark Lane. The trail passes under Highway 63, East Broadway/Route WW, St. Charles Road, I-70 Drive Southeast and Interstate 70.

From Green Valley Drive, trail users can travel west to the pedway along Broadway to the connection that routes under Old 63, and take the Old 63 pedway south to the Hinkson Creek Trail at Grindstone Nature Area. Hinkson Creek Trail connects to MKT Trail, which connects Columbia to the cross-state Katy Trail. Trail enthusiasts can now travel from Clark Lane all the way to the Katy Trail.

Hominy Creek Trail was built in phases. Phase I (1.2 miles from Green Valley Drive to Lansing Avenue) was funded by the Park Sales Tax and a Surface Transportation Enhancement grant. This phase was managed by the Parks and Recreation Department and completed in 2013. Phase II of the trail (1.7 miles from Lansing Avenue to Lillian Drive) was federally funded from the GetAbout Non-Motorized Transportation Pilot Program, and the development project was managed by GetAbout Columbia in Public Works and completed in 2016.

The trail has become very popular since the completion of the first phase. At the request of residents, connector trails were added, connecting the Timberhill and East Ridge Park neighborhoods to the trail.

Future plans for the Hominy Creek Trail may include a trailhead with parking off of St. Charles Road, which would replace the current trailhead at Stephens Lake Park. The Parks and Recreation master plan includes plans for the Hominy to extend north to Battle High School and additional neighborhoods.

We appreciate the support by our partners, as well as all Columbia citizens, making projects such as this one possible.

Hominy Creek Trail Dedication and Ribbon-cutting 5:30 p.m., May 18, 2017

Opening ~ Mike Griggs, Director, Columbia Parks and Recreation

Remarks ~ Dave Nichols, Director, Columbia Public Works

Remarks ~ Ward 3 Councilman Karl Skala

Conclusion ~ Mike Griggs

Ribbon-cutting

Trail Walk ~ Parks and Recreation

Guided Ride to Stephens Lake Park ~ PedNet Coalition

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