

Secure Rural Schools & Community Self-Determination Act
Reauthorized by Public Law 115-141
Title II Project Submission Form
USDA Forest Service

Prince William Sound

Resource Advisory Committee

Project Number (Assigned by Designated Federal Official):

Funding Fiscal Year(s): 2022-2023

2. Project Name: Childs Glacier Recreation Area Road and Trail Deferred Brushing Project	3a. State: Alaska 3b. County(s): Valdez/Cordova
4. Project Submitted By: David Zastrow	5. Date: 09/22/2021
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8. Project Location: Childs Glacier Recreation Area, mile 48 Copper River Highway	
a. National Forest(s): Chugach National Forest	b. Forest Service District: Cordova Ranger District
c. Location (Township-Range-Section) T14S R4E Section 18	

9. Project Goals and Objectives: Complete deferred* brushing and clearing maintenance on Childs Glacier Recreation Area roads and trails to meet Forest Service National Quality Standards. Improve the function of roads and trail, reduce public safety hazards, and reduce annual maintenance costs. Additionally, create temporary jobs and build the technical skills of a temporary workforce composed of local residents and young adults. Also, provide job creation directly tied to the execution of the project through a contractor and employing local unemployed workers. Title II funding leverages declining appropriations to meet deferred maintenance and restoration targets that otherwise could not be met.

** Definition of deferred road and trail maintenance: road and trail maintenance beyond annually scheduled basic maintenance. Deferred maintenance includes road and trail tread and structure repair, replacement, and decommissioning.*

10. Project Description:

a. Brief: (*in one sentence*)
Clear vegetative growth and brush located along approximately 2.5 miles of road and 2.3 miles of trail on the Cordova Ranger District, Chugach National Forest at the Childs Glacier Recreation Area to include cutting, trimming, and disposing of live and dead brush/slash, logs, and debris.

b. Detailed:
This project will be completed using both a non-personal services contract to provide all manpower, materials, equipment, inspections, supervision, and supplies necessary to clear vegetative growth and brush located along approximately 2.5 miles of road at the Childs Glacier Recreation Area. A Forest Service federal workforce crew will complete the clearing of 2.3 miles of trail at the Childs Glacier Recreation Area.

The selected contractor will be required to:

- Remove all limbs, shrubs, and trees that extend across or into the clearing limits. Saw or cut limbs flush with tree trunks. Make cuts in a manner that will not tear or strip bark from the trees.
- Cut and remove from the clearing limits all woody plants exceeding 1/2” in stem diameter or 12” in height. Maximum size materials to be cut under this specification are 4” in diameter when measured at a height of 2” above the ground on the uphill side of the stump. Cut all brush and small, woody plants as near flush to the surface as possible. When impractical to cut the plants flush, the maximum stem length shall be 3-5”.
- Scatter debris removed from within clearing limits outside and below the clearing limits. Avoid placing materials in stream channels, ditches, culverts, or other locations where they would prevent the free flow of water away from the roadbed or inhibit natural water flow for aquatic habitat.
- Limbs and chunks more than 3 inches in any dimension shall not remain on the traveled way.

The Forest Service federal workforce crew will:

- Perform backlog of deferred trail brushing maintenance on the Copper River Trail and other Childs Recreation Area trails bringing them up to Forest Service National Quality Standards.

11. Types of Lands Involved?

State/Private/Other lands involved? Yes No

Land Status:

If Yes, specify:

12. How does the proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? (Check at least 1)

- Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure.
- Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems.
- Restores and improves land health.
- Restores water quality

13. Project Type

a. Check all that apply: (check at least 1)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Road Maintenance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Decommission/Obliteration	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Obliteration
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Soil Productivity Improvement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forest Health Improvement
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watershed Restoration & Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Habitat Restoration
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Habitat Restoration	<input type="checkbox"/> Control of Noxious Weeds

<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish Native Species	<input type="checkbox"/> Fuels Management/Fire Prevention
<input type="checkbox"/> Implement CWPP Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify):
b. Primary Purpose (select only 1 from above): Road Deferred Maintenance and Trail Deferred Maintenance	

14. Identify What the Project Will Accomplish
Miles of road maintained: 2.5
Miles of road decommissioned/obliterated:
Number of structures maintained/improved:
Acres of soil productivity improved:
Miles of stream/river restored/improved:
Miles of fish habitat restored/improved:
Acres of native species reestablished:
Acres of hazardous fuel treatment
Miles of trail maintained: 2.3
Miles of trail obliterated:
Acres of forest health improved (including fuels reduction):
Acres of rangeland improved:
Acres of wildlife habitat restored/improved:
Acres of noxious weeds controlled:
Timber volume generated (mbf):
Jobs generated in full time equivalents (FTE) to nearest tenth. One FTE is 52 forty-hour weeks: 0.5 FTE
People reached (for environmental education projects/fire prevention):
Direct economic activity benefit: Benefits Cordova community financially from improved visitor experience recreating on NF while staying in hotels, purchasing food/supplies. Additionally, provides job creation directly tied to the execution of the project through contractors and local unemployed workers.
Other:

15. Estimated Project Start Date: 05/01/2022	16. Estimated Project Completion Date: 09/30/2023
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17. List known partnerships or collaborative opportunities.

The Native Village of Eyak using a Forest Roads Agreement and the Childs Glacier Lodge for crew and equipment transport.

18. Identify benefits to communities.

This project will address public safety while providing recreation opportunities for hiking and backcountry camping access for the community of Cordova. This project will provide job opportunities for local unemployed workers including the use of seasonal and youth employment programs that offer a positive growth experience for college-age adults and local community youth that ultimately carries over into their daily lives and their attitudes about public lands. Provides the opportunity to develop job skills for younger community residents and expose them to a wider spectrum of career possibilities. Additionally, this project provides job creation directly tied to the execution of the project through contractors and employs local workers.

19. How does the project benefit federal lands/resources?

This project directly helps the Cordova Ranger District maintain recreation facilities and recreation travel routes in a safe condition. In addition, well-maintained recreation facilities, roads, and trails without an excessive backlog of deferred maintenance tasks reduces susceptibility to erosion, impact to resources, and reduces maintenance costs.

20. What is the Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment? (check at least 1)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce
<input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers
<input type="checkbox"/> Grant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/> Americorps	<input type="checkbox"/> YCC/CCC Crews
<input type="checkbox"/> Job Corps	<input type="checkbox"/> Stewardship Contract
<input type="checkbox"/> Merchantable Timber Pilot	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):

21. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Timber? Yes No

22. Anticipated Project Costs
a. Title II Funds Requested:
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

23. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding:

Additional funding comes from Forest Service Appropriated Contributions. See attached worksheet.

24. Monitoring Plan (provide as attachment)

- a. Provide a plan that describes your process for tracking and explaining the effects of this project on your environmental and community goals outlined above.

Deferred maintenance task progress and accomplishments will be tracked and monitored through a national road and trail condition survey and accomplishment reporting system. Pre-project road and trail surveys were performed to determine the deferred maintenance needs. Once the project begins, work crews will report their progress to the Trails Program Coordinator and the selected contractor will report on their progress to the Contract Officer Representative (COR) verbally and using a daily diary format. The Trail Coordinator will be overseeing and directing all on-site force account work as well as monitoring while the COR will monitor the selected contractor work and report on progress to the Contracting Officer (CO). A post-project accomplishment survey will be conducted upon completion of the project

and recorded in the USDA Forest Service database NRM/I-Web. This database is used to track and monitor annual maintenance, deferred maintenance and other information for all National Forest System Roads and Trails.

b. Identify who will conduct the monitoring:

The Cordova Ranger District Recreation Program Officer, Cordova Ranger District Recreation Planner, and Cordova Ranger District Trails Coordinator.

c. Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Worksheet 1, Item k):

25. Identify remedies for failure to comply with the terms of the agreement.

If project cannot be completed under the terms of this agreement:

- Unused funds will be returned to the RAC account.
- Other, please explain:

Project Recommended By:

/s/ (INSERT Signature)
Chairperson

Resource Advisory Committee

Project Approved By:

/s/ (INSERT Signature)
Forest Supervisor

_____ National Forest

Project Cost Analysis Worksheet

Worksheet 1

Please submit this worksheet with your proposal

Item	Column A Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution	Column B Requested Title II Contribution	Column C Other Contributions	Column D Total Available Funds
a. Field Work & Site Surveys	500			
b. NEPA/CEQA				
c. ESA Consultation				
d. Permit Acquisition				
e. Project Design & Engineering				
f. Contract/Grant Preparation	2000			
g. Contract/Grant Administration	1000			
h. Contract/Grant Cost		30000		
i. Salaries	1500	16000		
j. Materials & Supplies		5000		
k. Monitoring	1500			
l. Other ex. Partner Indirect Cost				
m. Project Sub-Total				
n. FS Indirect Costs				
Total Cost Estimate	6500	51000		57500

NOTES :

Col. A: FS costs incurred as part of proposal implementation. Coordinate with FS to identify any FS cost for items in Col. A.

Col. B: Title II funding requested to implement the proposal.

Col. C: Matching funds being contributed by proponent or third parties. Proposals funded with a Participating Agreement will require a minimum 20% match.

Col. D: Sum of columns A, B, and C for each individual row.

Row A: Costs associated with project planning, not project implementation, such as assessment of miles of trail needing maintenance. Assessments and planning needed to develop a specific proposal. For Col. B: proponents must request permission in advance to request Title II funds to complete NEPA/CEQA analyses, as this is expected to be completed prior to proposal submission.

Rows B, C, D, and E: cost associated with environmental compliance and project design. Proponents must request permission in advance to request Title II funds to complete NEPA/CEQA analyses, as this is expected to be completed prior to proposal submission.

Row G: Costs associated with preparation of contract or agreement instruments used to implement the proposal. Contracts used to complete projects have special provisions; contact the FS to identify these early in the process.

Row G: Costs associated with administration of contract or agreement instruments used to implement the proposal.

Row H: Estimated value of any contracts/agreements used to implement proposal. Contracts/agreements used to complete projects have special provisions; contact the FS to identify these early in the process.

Row I: Cost of salaries to implement project

Row L: Examples include overhead charges from other partners, vehicles, equipment rentals, travel, etc.

Row K: Costs associated with performing monitoring described in Items 24a, 24b, and 24c. Amounts should be similar between Item 24 and Row K.

Row N: Forest Service indirect costs, including contracting/grant officer costs if needed.

Childs Glacier Recreation Site Map



Chugach National Forest Cordova Ranger District



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| Glacier Viewing Area | Fire Ring | Recycle Can |
| Trail | Food Storage Box | Trash Can |
| Walk-in Tenting Sites | Information Kiosk | Well (Potable Water) |
| Road | Interpretive Sign | You Are Here |
| National Forest Boundary | Toilet | |
| Fee Box | | |

