SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS

Intro

In 2020, Lander City Council adopted a Safe Routes to School, Walkable, Bikeable plan. The study was funded by a WYDOT Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant that paid 80% of the costs. The 20% required match funds of \$10,000 was funded from the 1% Option Tax for our roads.

The recommendations included a Safe Routes road map and 7 projects to design and construct ADA compliant sidewalk infrastructure along those defined Safe Routes to Schools.

SAFE ROUTES MAP

The purpose of Safe Routes to School is to promote walking and biking to school for children of all ages and abilities.

Safer and more accessible non-driver routes encourages healthy and active lifestyles.

There are secondary benefits including creating a walkable, bikeable community, the reduction of motor vehicle traffic, and improved air quality. Lander Safe Routes to School and Walkable, Bikeable Routes Report

Figure 1. Safe Routes for Non-Drivers



2020 Safe Routes to Schools and Walkable, Bikeable Routes Study Recommendations

Costs are listed in 2020 values

Cost Group	Description	Total Project Estimate	Fed. Match (80%)	Local Match (20%)
Cost Group 1	For Safe Route Corridors surrounding Gannett Peak Elementary School. Cost for ADA Ramps, Sidewalks, and three RRFB Crossings.	\$624,645	\$499,716	\$124,929
Cost Group 2	For Safe Route Corridors on Jefferson and 4th Street. Cost for ADA Ramps, Sidewalks, and one RRFB Crossing.	\$623,970	\$499,176	\$124,794
Cost Group 3	For Safe Route Corridors between Lander Middle School and Pathfinder High School. Cost for ADA Ramps, Sidewalks, and one RRFB Crossing.	\$624,983	\$499,986	\$124,997
Cost Group 4	For Safe Route Corridors near Baldwin Creek Elementary. Cost for ADA Ramps, Sidewalks, and three RRFB Crossings.	\$624,949	\$499,959	\$124,990
Cost Group 5	For Safe Route Corridors south of Sweetwater Street on 9th, 7th, 4th, and Fremont. Cost for ADA Ramps, Sidewalks, and one RRFB Crossing.	\$624,996 \$499,997		\$125,000
Cost Group 6	For Safe Route Corridors on 4th, 2nd, Amoretti, and other corridors northeast of Cascade. Cost for ADA Ramps, Sidewalks, and two RRFB Crossings.	\$623,970	\$499,176	\$124,794
Cost Group 7	For Safe Route Corridors on 4th, 5th, Cascade, and 2nd. Cost for ADA Ramps, Sidewalks, and one RRFB Crossing.	\$624,982	\$499,986	\$124,997
Total		\$4,372,497	\$3,497,996	\$874,501
Rounded Total		\$4,375,000	\$3,500,000	\$875,000

Table 1. Recommended Safe Routes for Non-Drivers Improvement Projects

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)

TAP grants and awards are Federal Highway Administration Funds administered directly through WYDOT. The program helps communities with funding between 80%-91.5% of the engineering and construction costs for transportation infrastructure.

Lander has been awarded \$ 2,423,284 in TAP funds since 2016. There is another pending award of \$986,341 which will provide additional ADA sidewalk infrastructure in the Gannett Peak Area.



TAP Projects in Lander

There are 3 active Safe **Routes to School** projects being designed around Gannett Peak, **Baldwin Creek and** Pathfinder. All projects are slated for construction in 2024-25



SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL EXISTING PROJECTS

			FEDERAL/COUNTY	LANDER 1%
NAME	STATUS	PROJECT COST	SHARE	LOCAL SHARE
Main Street Bike Study	Complete 2017	\$25,000	\$20,000	\$5,000
Safe Routes to School Study	Complete 2020	\$50,000	\$40,000	\$10,000
Transportation Study	Complete 2021	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0
Gannett Peak Sidewalks phase 1	Construction 2024	\$624,625	\$499,716	\$124,929
Popo River Pathway Design	Complete Dec 2024	\$200,000	\$180,980	\$19,020
Gannett Peak Sidewalks phase 2	Construction 2024	\$1,090,000	\$986,341	\$103,659
Partner w County on N 2nd access study	Complete 2016	\$60,000	\$57,400	\$2,600
Partner w County on Hillcrest study	Complete 2023	\$60,000	\$57,400	\$2,600
Baldwin Creek, South 9th / Pathfinder	Grant pending			
Complete Street	Construction 2025	\$1,250,000	\$1,131,125	\$118,875
TOTAL COSTS		\$3,409,625	\$3,022,962	\$386,683

\$386,683 OF **1% CAPITAL TAX FUNDS ARE BEING USED TO PROVIDE OVER \$3.4 Million** OF SAFE ROUTES **INFRASTRUCTURE**

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PARTNERS



