

# Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission

## Funding Report

### General Section

Park or Trail Name: Robbins Island Regional Park

Park ID: 16-014D      Funding Application #: 16-046F

Date Designated: 2016-09-27      District3

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Project Name: Robbins Island - Phase II

### Project Description:

The proposed concept for Robbins Island Regional Park includes several new structures to replace the existing picnic shelters and changing room buildings, a destination playground, amphitheater and improved infrastructure throughout the entire park. A proposed realignment of the road within the park will allow for the addition of more independent trails, including an interpretive boardwalk; helping promote biking and walking as the primary way for park users to navigate the park. With phase one currently underway, the focus of this application is on phase two. Phase two includes the construction of the primary recreational facility proposed at Robbins Island Regional Park. This facility will be a four-season, multi-use building located at the swimming beach. This structure will serve as the park headquarters, main concession building, meeting space and house program staff and distribute equipment based on the season. Summer rentals will include kayaks, canoes and paddleboards and winter rentals will be skates, cross country skis and snowshoes. During the winter months, this building will have a warming room for the outdoor skating rink as well as be the start and finish for the cross country skiing trail. In addition to this building, a boathouse will be constructed to help store equipment to provide these services. It is also our intent to build an interpretive boardwalk on the east portion of the lake that will provide a natural experience out over rehabilitated wetlands. The boardwalk would connect to the existing trail system within the park via additions to current pathways as well as construction of new paths with the goal of creating a complete and connected trail system within the park. We see the boardwalk as a great teaching tool for our community to provide information about the natural features of the island.

### Funding Section

Project Cost Breakdown: Remove old bathhouse and construct a 4 season shelter - \$365,000.00  
Construct a boathouse - \$219,000.00 Interpretive Boardwalk and trail - \$416,000.00

Grant Funding Request: \$750,000.00

Local Match: \$250,000.00 Funder: City of Willmar

Local Match: 0 Funder:

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Total Funding: \$1,000,000 Percentage of Local Match: 25.0%

Completion Timeframe: 18 months