



Capital Improvement Plan Factsheet

What is a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)?

A Capital Improvement Plan, or “CIP” for short, is when a local government body (like the Town of Blue River) sits down and takes a look at the next 5 to 10 years to identify what capital projects need to be constructed, when they need to be constructed, and how they will be funded. Once finished, the Plan will identify several needed projects as well as a schedule and planned funding source to complete them. Basically, a CIP is a sort of “To-Do List” of projects for the Town to complete over the next 5-10 years. The steps taken to create the Plan are explained in *Stepping Through the CIP*.

What is considered a capital improvement? What is not considered?

A capital improvement project is a project that helps repair or improve Town infrastructure (roads, town buildings, parks, trails, etc.). Expanding or repairing existing infrastructure, or replacing or constructing brand new infrastructure, is considered in a CIP.

Items *not* considered in a CIP include things that involve the standard operations of the town such as snow plowing or other regular maintenance items.

What stage is the CIP at currently?

Blue River is currently seeking input from its citizens to *Assess Capital Needs*, or in other words, to identify concerns in the Town that could be addressed with a project within the CIP. A preliminary list of potential capital projects already identified by the Town is available on the Town website at [\[insert link\]](#)

How are projects selected to be included in the CIP?

Blue River has developed a list of 10 criteria that every potential project identified in *Assess Capital Needs* will be evaluated on. Each project’s evaluation will help the Town determine which projects to include in the Plan. The list of 10 criteria can be found on the website at [\[insert link\]](#)

How much input will I be able to provide for the Plan?

The Town of Blue River is dedicated to including its citizens in the CIP process as much as is possible. A constant-contact survey is available online [\[insert link\]](#). There will also be several public meetings along the way and a Formal Public Hearing before the Plan is approved. An approximate schedule for these events is shown to the right.

When will the CIP be complete?

The schedule is subject to change as progress on the Plan is made, but the Town’s desire is to achieve *Final Approval of CIP* in the Fall of 2018 and begin *CIP Implementation* by 2019.

Stepping Through the CIP

- ✓ ESTABLISH ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE
Appoint management, create schedule for CIP completion and plan for citizen input.
- ✓ ESTABLISH POLICY FRAMEWORK
Develop program and financial policies to be adopted in CIP.
- ✓ FORMULATE EVALUATION CRITERIA
Develop list of factors that each project will be evaluated against to help identify which projects to include in the CIP.
- ASSESS CAPITAL NEEDS
Take inventory of needs in the Town that could potentially be CIP projects.
- CREATE CIP PROJECT LIST
Use Evaluation Criteria to select projects to be considered in CIP.
- ASSESS AVAILABLE TOWN FUNDING
Evaluate annual budget available for CIP projects.
- EVALUATE FUNDING OPTIONS
ID funding grants, options available to supplement Town funding.
- DEVELOP CIP PROGRAM
Compare Project List and Available Town Funding to condense Program into list of priority projects that fit within CIP budget and schedule.
- FINAL APPROVAL OF CIP
Town approves Plan, after regular opportunity for comment from citizens throughout process.
- CIP IMPLEMENTATION
Plan is implemented, initial projects commence in accordance with Plan.
- CIP EVALUATION
CIP process is monitored and adjusted as conditions change.

Public Meeting
Nov 2017

Public Meeting
Feb 2018

Public Meeting
June 2018

Formal Public Hearing
Sept 2018



CIP Project Evaluation Criteria

Health and Safety

Improves the safety of the Town and the people who live there.

Collaboration

Provides opportunities to collaborate with non-profits, volunteer organizations, town residents, and other entities.

Environmental/Aesthetic

Improves the visual quality of the Town and does not affect the environmental integrity of the community.

Maintenance

This improvement reduces the Town's maintenance responsibilities.

Fiscal and Budget Impacts

The improvement fits within the Town Budget and provides sufficient benefit for the cost.

Deferral of Work

Delaying the fix or improvement will cause the current concern to expand or worsen.

Risk Uncertainty

The risks associated with constructing and maintaining this addition or improvement.

Outside Funding Sources

Eligibility for grants, programs, or other outside funding sources that the Town can pursue.

Economic Development

Promotes economic growth within the Town.

Community and Social

The general community of Blue River will benefit from the completion of the project.



CIP Project List

Roads, Bridges, and Drainage

Mountain View Trail

Repairing roadway and drainage along Mountain View Trail.

Wilderness Road

Repairing roadway and drainage along Wilderness Road.

Sherwood Lane and Starlit Lane

Constructing designed repairs along Sherwood and Starlit Lanes.

Spruce Creek Road

Improving intersection and approach to Hwy 9, flattening and repairing roadway along Spruce Creek Road.

Royal Drive

Repairing roadway and drainage along Royal Drive.

Coronet Drive

Repairing roadway grade and drainage along Coronet Drive.

Hwy 9 Bus Route

Installing bus stops and other bus improvements along Hwy 9.

Speed bumps/traffic control

Installing measures for controlling the flow and speed of traffic in the Town. Reviewing and updating signage throughout the Town.

Breckenridge Emergency Access Route

Providing redundant routes to Breckenridge in case of flooding or other emergencies.

Town Properties

Employee Housing

Purchasing and managing property for employees of Blue River.

Community Center

Building a Blue River Community Center.

Tarn Improvements

Installing bathrooms and other minor improvements to the Tarn access area.

Police Department

Building a Blue River Police Building.

Parks and Trails

Breckenridge to Fairplay Bike Trail Connection

Providing a bike path extension through Blue River to progress the long-term community vision of completing the local bike path link from Breckenridge to Fairplay over Hoosier Pass.

Town Park Expansion

Expanding the Town Park at Regal Circle to include more features.

Mountain Bike Trail Development

Creating a mountain bike trail system with the intent to connect to existing mountain bike trails in the area.

Land and Easements

Existing ground-owned inventory

Inventory land owned by the Town and identifying potential uses for it that provide the most public benefit.

Acquisition for projects

Obtaining any easements or property acquisitions that will be required by projects within this Capital Improvement Plan.

LAND AND EASEMENTS

EXISTING GROUND-OWNED INVENTORY
INVENTORY LAND OWNED BY THE TOWN AND IDENTIFYING POTENTIAL USES FOR IT THAT PROVIDE THE MOST PUBLIC BENEFIT.

ACQUISITION FOR PROJECTS
OBTAINING ANY EASEMENTS OR PROPERTY ACQUISITIONS THAT WILL BE REQUIRED BY PROJECTS WITHIN THIS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN.

Town-Wide

TOWN PROPERTIES

TARN IMPROVEMENTS
INSTALLING BATHROOMS AND OTHER MINOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE TARN ACCESS AREA.

COMMUNITY CENTER
BUILDING A BLUE RIVER COMMUNITY CENTER.

EMPLOYEE HOUSING
PURCHASING AND MANAGING PROPERTY FOR EMPLOYEES OF BLUE RIVER.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
BUILDING A BLUE RIVER POLICE BUILDING.

Town-Wide

ROADS, BRIDGES, AND DRAINAGE

1 MOUNTAIN VIEW TRAIL
REPAIRING ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE ALONG MOUNTAIN VIEW TRAIL.

2 WILDERNESS ROAD
REPAIRING ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE ALONG WILDERNESS ROAD.

3 SHERWOOD LANE AND STARLIT LANE
CONSTRUCTING DESIGNED REPAIRS ALONG SHERWOOD AND STARLIT LANES.

4 SPRUCE CREEK ROAD
IMPROVING INTERSECTION AND APPROACH TO HWY 9, FLATTENING AND REPAIRING ROADWAY ALONG SPRUCE CREEK ROAD.

5 ROYAL DRIVE
REPAIRING ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE ALONG ROYAL DRIVE.

6 CORONET DRIVE
REPAIRING ROADWAY GRADE AND DRAINAGE ALONG CORONET DRIVE.

7 HWY 9 BUS ROUTE
INSTALLING BUS STOPS AND OTHER BUS IMPROVEMENTS ALONG HWY 9.

SPEED BUMPS/TRAFFIC CONTROL
INSTALLING MEASURES FOR CONTROLLING THE FLOW AND SPEED OF TRAFFIC IN THE TOWN, REVIEWING AND UPDATING SIGNAGE THROUGHOUT THE TOWN.

BRECKENRIDGE EMERGENCY ACCESS ROUTE
PROVIDING REDUNDANT ROUTES TO BRECKENRIDGE IN CASE OF FLOODING OR OTHER EMERGENCIES.

Town-Wide

PARKS AND TRAILS

1 BRECKENRIDGE TO FAIRPLAY BIKE TRAIL CONNECTION
PROVIDING A BIKE PATH EXTENSION THROUGH BLUE RIVER TO PROCESS THE LONG-TERM COMMUNITY VISION OF COMPLETING THE LOCAL BIKE PATH LINK FROM BRECKENRIDGE TO FAIRPLAY OVER HOOPER PASS.

2 TOWN PARK EXPANSION
EXPANDING THE TOWN PARK AT REGAL CIRCLE TO INCLUDE MORE FEATURES.

MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL DEVELOPMENT
CREATING A MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL SYSTEM WITH THE INTENT TO CONNECT TO EXISTING MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS IN THE AREA.

Town-Wide

