



DCTB AWARDED GRANTS FOR TRAIL DEVELOPMENT



DCTB received two grant awards in May for trail development in the Iowa Great Lakes. The first is a Wellmark Large MATCH Grant in the amount of \$100,000 for construction of the

Jones Pasture Trail that will be completed this summer. The Wellmark Foundation offers these grant opportunities to communities in Iowa and South Dakota for projects that can help individuals, families and communities achieve better health through built environment initiatives that encourage physical activity. The second grant award comes from the Region 3 Transportation Alternatives Program for another section of the rail trail Tatanka Ska Trace. The award of \$179,700 will be available in 2022 for construction of a trail segment from 219th Street in Spirit Lake going west 1.6 miles to Highway 86.

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Plans are coming together for the “Bikes – Brews – Bites” celebration that will be on Saturday, July 27 at the Okoboji Brewing Company. We are working with the brewery to create a great new outdoor event space and there will be a variety of brews, wine and a bourbon tasting. Farm to Fork is providing a fantastic menu with live music both in and outside of the brewery. Sponsorship opportunities and tickets are now available through DCTB’s website and Facebook pages. For more information, please contact us at dctrails@co.dickinson.ia.us or visit our website at www.dickinsoncountytrails.com.



UPCOMING TRAIL & BIKE EVENTS



2nd ANNUAL OKOBOJI BIKE-N-BITE: Saturday, June 8 - Iowa State University Extension is gearing up for their 2nd Annual Bike-n-Bite on June 8 with more stops, more eats, two routes (15 & 25 mile) and fun for the whole family! Registration is \$15 per person by June 5 or \$20 at the door. Children 12 and under are welcome to attend with their parents or guardians for free. Register online at Dickinson County ISU Extension’s website.



35TH ANNUAL U of O CAMPUS BIKE RIDE: Saturday, June 29 - Enjoy a ride around the Iowa Great Lakes of 25, 50 or 100 miles. A pancake breakfast starts at 7:00am with ride to follow at 9:00am. Take in the beauty of scenic trails and lakeside roads on your bicycle with proceeds going to help the community. Visit www.threesons.com for ride details.

BRASL BIKE RIDE AROUND SPIRIT LAKE: Saturday, July 6 - Enjoy a 15-mile bike cruise around Iowa’s largest natural lake or power bike 25 and 50-mile routes around the Iowa Great Lakes and Minnesota. This is a family friendly ride that treats you to scenic lakeside trails and includes a t-shirt and lunch certificate. Proceeds from the event will benefit Dickinson County Trails. Visit www.spiritlakecc.com for ride details.



As always, Happy Trails to You and Yours.
Erin Reed, DCTB Executive Director