

Project Name:

Repaving Marten Creek Road

Recipient:

Sanders County, Montana

Address:

P.O. Box 519, Thompson Falls, Montana 59873-0519

Amount Requested:

\$977,500

Project Explanation:

This project aims to rehabilitate and upgrade a surface transportation asset that if left unimproved threatens the mobility of people, delivery of services to residents, economic growth from tourism and vital national forest access. This project will improve the lifespan of Marten Creek Road, reduce future maintenance costs and allow more time, money and resources to be spent on other roads in the county. Sanders County proposes to hire a contractor to overlay 4.5 miles of Marten Creek Road with 2.5" thick asphalt 22' wide. Estimated cost is \$1,150,000 Sanders County will provide 15% (\$172,500) leaving a funding request of \$977,500.

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2601

May 8, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Repaving Marten Creek Road

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Repaving Marten Creek Road in Fiscal Year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Sanders County, P.O. Box 519, Thompson Falls, Montana 59873-0519.

The funding would be used for the improvement of the quality and conditions of the Marten Creek Road from the Trout Creek Bridge to the end of the pavement. The Project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it aims to rehabilitate and upgrade a surface transportation asset that if left unimproved threatens the mobility of people, delivery of services to residents, economic growth from tourism and vital national forest access. This project will improve the lifespan of Marten Creek Road, reduce future maintenance costs, and allow more time, money, and resources to be spent on other roads in the county.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Ryan Zinke
Member of Congress