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NEWS RELEASE

Platte County Awarded \$100,000 Trails Grant to Extend Prairie Creek Greenway

Platte County Parks & Recreation has been awarded a 2009 Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. The County's application was one of 18 approved grants from 59 requests for over \$4.5 million. A total of \$1.4 million was available with the maximum grant award being \$100,000.

This grant will help Platte County Parks and Recreation to connect an additional 1.3 miles of asphalt trail to the existing Prairie Creek Greenway. Starting from the North Trailhead, the trail will connect to Platte Valley Park in Platte City. The County will have until April 1, 2012 to complete the trail project and receive reimbursement.

Funded through the Platte County Parks and Stormwater sales tax, developer funding, and a previous RTP grant; Prairie Creek Greenway is already an award-winning trail. The Greenway has received recognition for its sustainable and recreational qualities, including designation as a National Recreation Trail by the National Park Service.

Prairie Creek Greenway will be the featured Platte County trail for National Trails Day on June 5, 2010 at 10am. Please join us at the South Trailhead for a trail walk or bike ride to celebrate and learn about the importance of trails and greenways to our community!

For more information about Platte County Parks and Recreation please visit www.platteparks.com or call the Platte County Parks office at 816-858-3419.

