



STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
KRISTI NOEM | GOVERNOR

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David Ruth, Jr., Mayor  
City of Deadwood  
102 Sherman Street  
Deadwood, South Dakota 57732

Dear David,

The outdoors has always held a special place in my heart, from pheasant hunting in the fall to exploring hiking trails all over our state. Throughout my time as Governor, I've made it very clear that I want to leave South Dakota better than when I found it.

I am pleased to inform you that Recreational Trails Program funding in the amount of \$212,762 has been approved for the Deadwood Hill Trailhead Parking Area project.

I believe this project will give South Dakotans yet another opportunity to find new adventures, give families a chance to reconnect, and allow children to burn off some energy while exploring the outdoors. I commend you for your efforts to improve your community.

In the coming days, the Department of Game, Fish and Parks will reach out with additional information regarding specifics on the funding.

Your contact in the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks is Randy Kittle. If you have any questions regarding this grant, please feel free to contact him at 605.773.5490, or [randy.kittle@state.sd.us](mailto:randy.kittle@state.sd.us).

Again, I want to congratulate you and your staff for making our state a better place live, work and recreate.

Sincerely,

  
Kristi Noem  
Governor

*Congratulations!*