



## Project Intake Form

**Project Title** Improvement Austin Dam Memorial Park Access Road

**Project Applicant** Austin Dam Memorial Association, Inc.

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### All counties in the North Central region are currently transitional.

Select all counties the project will serve.

Potter

**Project Type**

Access Road

**Primary Funding Agency**

Appalachian Regional Commission(ARC)

Select Primary Objective to Set the Goal Supporting Objective

Objective 4.2: Invest in economic and community development initiatives that preserve and promote Appalachian communities' vibrant arts, cultural, and heritage traditions.

Building Regional Culture and Tourism

View North Central's [2018-2023 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy here](#).

**Does your project align with the goals of North Central's 2018-2023 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy?**

Yes

**The CEDS Investment Priorities include the following:**

- Expanding and strengthening employment and education opportunities that provide stable family wage jobs.
- Investments in entrepreneurship and home-grown business development to build a sustainable, diverse economy.
- Preserving and investing in the region's natural and cultural assets to strengthen economic potential.
- Creating and/or improving reliable, consistent access to critical infrastructure in North Central Pennsylvania.
- Providing sufficient availability of right-sized, right-priced housing throughout each county within the North Central Pennsylvania region.

**Check the box if you'd like this project to be considered for inclusion in North Central's forthcoming CEDS and Resiliency Plan.**

Yes, please consider this project for inclusion in the forthcoming CEDS and Resiliency Plan.

## Project Funding


Please enter the project funding amounts for each below. Totals and Percent will calculate automatically. Do NOT include the "\$."

#	Non Construction	Equipment	Construction	Total	Percent
1			23000	23000	100
2				0	0
3				0	0
4				0	0
5	0	0	23000	23000	100

## Funds Status

	Funds Status
Federal	No Funds
State	No Funds
Local	No Funds
Other	No Funds

Please upload an Engineering Cost Estimate, if applicable.


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## Period of Performance

### Start and End Date

Start Date: 09/01/2022 End Date: 11/30/2022

### Purpose of Project

Asphalt Pave Steep Section (400 feet) of the dirt and gravel access road privately-owned by the ADMA access road that travels through the Austin Dam Memorial Park the Bayless Dam ruins.

### Project Description

The major activity is fixing the one-mile, dirt and gravel access road privately-owned by the ADMA access road that travels through the Austin Dam Memorial Park the Bayless Dam ruins. Mostly, it is all good and ADMA are able to maintain the access road by filling pot-holes, except for very steep portion, where the road goes from the Sykes Vista down to the Bayliss Concrete Dam Ruins/Welcome Center. Due to steepness, the limestone and gravel base doesn't stay in place and has created a danger especially to motorcycles but even some cars spin-out going up the hill and have to back-down and get a "running" start to get up that hill. ADMA has done some grading and smoothing on the hill, but it seems to only improve the situation until there is a rain-event then it's back too it's normal state of being loose and washed with excessive sediment entering the watershed. The solution is to have asphalt pavement this section, which is 400 feet in length. ADMA got a quote from Hawbaker last fall in the amount of \$18,000, but the cost was beyond of our reach cost-wise.

Preparation grading needed, in the amount of \$5,000 ADMA got a quote from a local construction company. Shaping and regrading: \$3,500 (labor and equipment) and \$1,500 for 60 tons of 2A fine gravel mix for smoothing.

### Explain the following for the Strategic Rationale:

- Identify the problems and/or opportunities the project will address.
- Explain the existing conditions or critical circumstances that would compel the funding of this project.
- Describe how the project supports a regional strategy or plan.
- Explain how this project will contribute to sustainable economic development in the service area impacted.
- Identify the types and numbers of jobs to be created or retained.
- Explain any Leveraged Private Investment because of this project.

### Strategic Rationale

The Austin Dam Memorial Park is located in the center of the Susquehannock State Forest and is traversed by Freeman Run, a high value stream (Class A - Wild Trout Waters) and exceptional wetlands. By the virtue of enhancing access to the Austin Dam recreational areas at Dam Ruins, local citizens and park visitors will be able to connect to the park for camping, hiking/biking, to visit a historical landmark, and a place that high school students can get hands on education relating to history and the environment. The park is also a place of art and culture and hosts the Gathering of the Artist (held in July), the Austin Dam Show music festival (held in August) and the Austin Dam Pow Wow (held in September), held annually in these summer months The recreational areas at Dam Ruins is directly connected to the PA-872 highway, and the Borough of Austin and its businesses via a one-mile, dirt and gravel access road privately-owned by the ADMA access road that travels through the Austin Dam Memorial Park the Bayless Dam ruins.

### Collaborative Partnerships

Our area of Potter County attracts visitors from across the Northeastern United States, as well as beyond. The events at the Austin Dam, mostly are attended by visitors within a 100 radius of our park. The ADMA works with our advertising and tourist marketing partners that promote our region of Pennsylvania. We are a member of the Visit Potter Tioga (VPT), The PA Route 6 Artisan Trail and Pennsylvania Wilds, which all have our shared goal of raising awareness of the arts and creative

industry of in and around Potter County.

### **Project Sustainability and Capacity**

ADMA one-mile-long Road Work Project from the Dirt and Gravel Program and the C2P2 grant to surface the access road from the park entrance to the entrance area to the Austin Dam ruins in 2016. Asphalt pavement is long-term best solution. Properly maintained asphalt pavement last between 20 and 30 years, or 25 years on average. ADMA can manage the upkeep

## Output and Outcome Measures

### Stand-Alone Output Measure

linear feet

### Stand-Alone Outcome Measure

programs implemented

### Congressional and Legislative Districts

Fred Keller (US House, 12th)

Pat Toomey (US Senate)

Bob Casey (US Senate)

Martin Causer (PA StateHouse, 67th)

Cris Dush (PA StateSenate, 25th)

### Miscellaneous Notes

Attached 2021 Hawbaker Cost Estimate. ADMA has requested an updated Estimated for the 2022 timeframe.