SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Committee on Budget and Finance

AGENDA ITEM: III – H

DATE: December 12-13, 2011

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SUBJECT: SDSM&T Campus Loop Road – Revised Preliminary Facility Statement

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology requests approval of their Revised Preliminary Facility Statement to construct a proposed Campus Loop Road at an estimated cost of $1,100,000. This project was originally presented to the Board in June 2006 as the Connector Road project that ran through the southern portion of the campus with a cost of $2,500,000. Since the original presentation in 2006, SDSM&T has revised the project to match available funds. The original project scope included connecting the campus to East St Patrick Street, but the current version connects the southernmost edges of campus, running east to west. The Campus Loop Road follows the existing road from the E. Kansas city Street and Birch Avenue intersection to the King Center parking lot and then continues easterly to a point south of the Black Hills Business Development Center (BHBDC). This new project will also provide a parking lot which will be located near the south side of BHBDC. The addition of this parking lot will provide parking near the future site of the SDSM&T Research Center.

Additional details of this project can be found in SDSM&T’s attached Preliminary Facility Statement document and illustration.

Funding for this project will come from a Federal Department of Transportation grant in the amount of $390,000, HEFF M&R Funds of $350,000 and SDSM&T Parking Funds of $360,000.

Because the project cost is now less than $1,500,000, it no longer requires a building committee. The item is being provided to the Board so they are aware of the current plan. If the project cost were to creep back to $1,500,000, the building committee will be reengaged.

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RECOMMENDED ACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Approve SDSM&T’s Preliminary Facility Statement to construct a Campus Loop Road at an estimated cost of $1,100,000. Funding for this project will come from a Federal Department of Transportation grant in the amount of $390,000, HEFF M&R Funds of $350,000 and SDSM&T Parking Funds of $360,000. The project may proceed without a building committee as long as estimated costs do not exceed $1.5M.
SDSM&T
Preliminary Facility Statement
Campus Loop Road

General programmatic needs to be addressed
Our general programmatic goal is to support the academic mission of the university by providing faculty and students facilities that meet and exceed their expectations through collaborative efforts in education, research, and economic development. This project was originally described to the Board in 2006, but has since then been revised to match available funds. The previous project scope included connecting the SDSM&T campus to East St. Patrick Street, but the current version connects the southernmost edges of campus, running east to west.

Analysis of the student body or constituents to be served
This project will impact all students, faculty, and staff as it provides an alternate route for accessing the southern portions of campus and provides the beginning of the infrastructure necessary for the development of the southern region of the SDSM&T campus. Additionally, it will greatly improve access to the Black Hills Business Development Center (BHBDC), a business incubator operated by the Rapid City Economic Development Foundation, the King Center, the proposed Student Recreation Center and our future Research Center.

Additional services to be offered
This project will also provide a parking lot which will be located near the south side of BHBDC. The addition of this parking lot is in accordance with the Campus Master Plan, and will also provide parking near the future site of SDSM&T’s research center.

Compliance with master plan
The road is in compliance with the master plan.

Analysis of needs assessment based on the facilities utilization report
N/A

Location
The proposed roadway follows the existing road from the intersection of E. Kansas City St. and Birch Avenue to the King Center parking lot. The road then continues along the west and south sides of the existing King Center parking lot and continues easterly to a point south of the BHBDC. The location of the roadway is in general conformance with designs developed for the Campus Master Plan. The exact location will be determined by the Student Recreation Center location, but Exhibit A provides a preliminary illustration.

Reallocation of old space, if any
N/A
Proposed funding source
The project is estimated at $1.1 million and will be funded by three funding sources; Federal Department of Transportation grant ($390,000), HEFF M&R ($350,000), and SDSM&T Parking Funds ($360,000).

Budget for development of a facility program plan
Funds for final design and development will be provided by SDSM&T Parking Funds.