County Commissioners approve recreational trails funds

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At the McKinley County Board of Commissioners regular commissioner meeting Oct. 2, Jeff Irving, county roads superintendent, gave a presentation from the New Mexico Youth Conservation Corps about continuous improvements on county hiking trails over an eight-week span.

Trails near Wingate and Mentmore were the focus of these projects, allowing local youth to take part in improving and maintaining the trails for the public.

Irving spoke for the item on the agenda, which pertained to eligibility and intent of McKinley County to submit an application to the New Mexico Department of Transportation for Federal Fiscal Year 2020/2021 for the RTP funds.

Irving said these efforts are between the city and the county, and the proposed project that the application is for would cost around \$164,000, with the county providing a match of up to 14.56 percent.

Irving said funds would be used strictly for trails.

The item was approved with a 5-0-0 vote.

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