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City to Receive \$175,000 from Garfield County's FMLD Grant

Glenwood Springs, Colo. – The City of Glenwood Springs will receive \$175,000 from Garfield County's Federal Mineral Lease District's (FMLD) spring 2018 grant cycle. The money awarded from this grant will be used for School Street improvements.

Upgrades to School Street will improve pedestrian safety and traffic flow adjacent to the newly renovated Glenwood Springs Elementary School. This project will include street surface, grading, drainage improvements, and traffic calming elements on School Street between 10th Street and 11th Street. This project will also include a new sidewalk on the south side of 11th Street.

Overall, this project will create a safer route to the school, enhance the walkability in the neighborhood, reduce storm water runoff, and improve connectivity to areas slated for redevelopment. Revitalization initiatives for the development of the confluence area will also benefit from this project and prevent further traffic congestion while increasing pedestrian safety.

The city has recently taken steps toward future development of the confluence area through a land swap with the school district. The land swap included the previous recycling center, part of Vogelaar Park, and the current YouthZone leased property.

Shannon Pelland, CFO and Assistant Superintendent of the school district, stated "we are so excited to partner with the city on some much-needed improvements to School Street. This project will benefit our students, parents, and neighbors"

Mayor Michael Gamba also commented on this project stating "it would not be possible without our on-going partnership with the school district and the funding provided through this grant."

The City of Glenwood Springs and the Roaring Fork School District have demonstrated dedication to this project and have each committed a \$50,000 match to receive the \$175,000 in grant funding.

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