

## Trails Update

During the joint meeting of the WCVB Board and City Council trails were discussed. The economic impact trails have on a community is significant. Communities that embrace trails have flourished.

The Spirit Trail on DD Highway connecting Warrensburg, Knob Noster and WAFB will be opening to the public soon. The ribbon cutting scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 18 has been postponed. As per Bill Gable, there have been areas identified as needing attention prior to opening to the public. The trail from the Knob Noster State Park to the City of Knob Noster will be completed once approved by the state. It's estimated to cost \$3 million

The Spirit Trail Coalition's goal is to connect the Spirit Trail to existing trails (Katy Trail and Rock Island Spur). The coalition consists of representatives from Johnson County, City of Warrensburg, Knob Noster State Park, WAFB, Pioneer Trails Regional Planning Commission, and Johnson County bikers. The coalition meets the third Tuesday of the month. I will attend the monthly meetings and provide an update to the board in my director's report.