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Box Elder 2023 Active Transportation Assessment

Community Input Meeting Scheduled for Friday March 24th, 2023.

Box Elder was recently selected for an Active Transportation Assessment Collaboration for 2023. The assessment will be conducted in conjunction with the recently received US Department of Transportation Safe Streets and Roads For All (SS4A) action planning grant and will provide valuable data points in that plan. The City is pleased to announce a collaborative partnership between the South Dakota Department of Health, South Dakota State University (SDSU) Landscape Architecture students, and all community stakeholders of Box Elder. The goal of the assessment is to provide for improved walking and biking transportation routes to everyday destinations while promoting physical activity in our communities.

Formal assessment activities with the SDSU students will take place on Friday March 24th, and Saturday March 25th. **A community input meeting will be open to the public on Friday March 24, 2023, from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm in the Box Elder Community Center of City Hall.** This will be an open time of collaboration and vision planning for an active transportation policy with all interested stakeholders. In particular, by engaging in the assessment process, communities can position themselves for larger funding opportunities and infrastructure investments for implementation.

“This will be a unique opportunity for our community to come together and share a vision for an active transportation plan for the City.,” said Rob Timm, Grant Writer & Administrator for the City of Box Elder.

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Box Elder is a growing community and gateway City to the Black Hills region of South Dakota. With a population of over 11,746 residents, we are the eleventh largest city in South Dakota and home to the Ellsworth Air Force Base (EAFB) with the B21 expansion program now underway. New and exciting development opportunities are on the horizon. We are *Soaring to New Heights for our Community*. For more information, please visit www.boxelder.us.