

Newsletter June 2022



MANJIMUP TRAIL BIKE HUB

This newsletter provides an update on the progress that has been made by the Manjimup Trail Bike Hub over the past months.

Manjimup Trail Bike Hub stages 1, 2 and 4 fully funded

The Manjimup Trail Bike Hub stages 1, 2, and 4 have received (\$980,000) in funding from the Australian Government under the Regional Recovery Partnerships program, matched to a \$576,500 contribution from the Shire of Manjimup.

- Stage 1. Develop the Manjimup Adventure Bike Rider Experience
- Stage 2. Develop the Manjimup Trail Bike Tourer Experience
- Stage 4. Develop the Manjimup Single Track Explorer Experience

The funding sets the wheels in motion for the trail planning processes, implementation and commercialisation of the funded project, which include:

1. Mapping and publishing routes and loops suitable for trail bike riders.
2. Construction of a Trail Centre to provide information and facilities to trail bike riders.
3. Developing a Trail Bike Friendly Business Program (including businesses providing; food, accommodation, facilities, services and equipment).
4. Developing a marketing materials and campaign (including website, maps and merchandise).

A Project Team and Program Manager have been appointed to manage the implementation of the Hub and its associated programs.

A Trail Centre for Trail Bike Riders

The concept design for the Manjimup Trail Bike Hub Trail Centre has been developed in consultation with trail bike riders and stakeholders of the trail bike riding community. The consultation phase considered the needs of riders, visitors to the Manjimup region and the overall functionality of the Trail Centre.

The Hub Trail Centre will be located on Mottram Street, a main street in Manjimup. The Centre will be a first point of contact for visitors to the Hub. The Trail Centre will include specific facilities for trail bike riders, such as storage, merchandise, maps, information, and a workshop. Once established, the Trail Centre will be staffed by volunteers of the Manjimup Trail Bike Hub Inc., who will provide riders with local knowledge and information about the trails, businesses, accommodation, etc.

A Design and Construct Tender has been awarded to Brausch Construction Group. The construction of the Trail Centre building is anticipated to be completed by December 2022.



Concept design for the Trail Centre in Manjimup

Stage 1. Adventure Bike Rider Experience

An Adventure Bike Riders Reference Group has been established to help develop routes for Stage 1 in the Manjimup region.

Planning works to determine suitable and enjoyable routes included:

- Completing a Trail Development Framework, based on the best practice State Government Trail Development Processes.
- Constraints and opportunities for Stage 1 routes have been investigated.
- To date 1000km of existing roads/tracks are being mapped and assessed for inclusion in routes.
- Test riding undertaken by members of the Reference Group.
- A comprehensive analysis, including risk assessment is currently being undertaken for the draft routes.

More information on the Manjimup Trail Bike Hub can be found on the website:
<http://www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/trailbikehub>

Also follow our Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/ManjimupTrailBikeHub/>

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