

## WHC Trail Grants – Work in Progress

As you are out doing your summer riding, be sure to keep a look out for trail improvement projects in your area! So many of our trails would not be nearly what they are without the help of Friends Groups that help the local state and national land managers with upkeep and improvements.

The Wisconsin Horse Council Trails Committee has been working with these friends groups to help finance some of these projects since 1998. During that time, Wisconsin trails have seen at least \$334,000 in trail improvements. When a grant is awarded, the trail group must then match at least 50% of the value of the grant in either additional money, or labor towards the project.

### In 2014 grants in the amount of \$17,000 were awarded to

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| 1. Castle Rock Trails #1       | Castle Rock Trail                    | Yellow trail improvement     |
| 2. Castle Rock Trails #2       | Castle Rock Trail                    | Pavilion Enhancements        |
| 3. Chippewa Valley Trailriders | Hay Meadow                           | Camp site improvements       |
| 4. Duck Egg County Forrest     | Duck Egg                             | Stream Crossing improvements |
| 5.GDHTA                        | Kettle Moraine Horse Trails Southern | Tie stalls etc. in Palmyra   |
| 6.La Riviere Riders            | Children's Ranch                     | erosion control              |
| 7. NKMHTA                      | Northern Kettle Moraine              | pipe corrals                 |
| 10. Silver Dollar Saddle Club  | Otter Springs                        | bathroom                     |
| 12. SKMHTA                     | Southern Kettle Moraine              | Hitching post                |

Be sure if you are riding any of these trails to watch for improvements – even better if you live near one of these parks, see if you can help out the local group with a work day!

If you have a trail in your area that needs improvement look for information on the Wisconsin Horse Council web site after the first of the year for detail on how to apply for a 2015 grant.