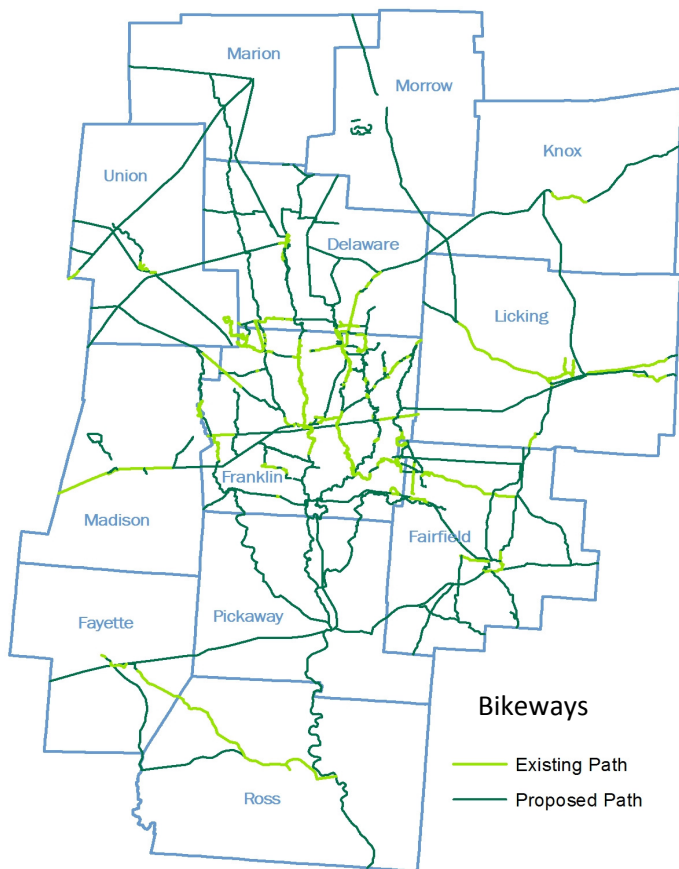


	Miles of Bicycle Paths, Lanes, and Trails			Total
	Existing	Expected	Proposed	
Delaware	75.1	22.7	509.4	607.1
Fairfield	27.7	4.0	268.7	300.3
Fayette	9.1	0.0	35.2	44.4
Franklin	356.6	86.4	840.3	1,283.2
Knox	4.6	0.0	46.9	51.5
Licking	40.8	0.0	120.7	161.5
Madison	19.2	0.0	24.1	43.3
Marion	0.0	0.0	50.2	50.2
Morrow	0.0	0.0	27.5	27.5
Pickaway	0.0	2.1	100.4	102.5
Ross	25.3	0.0	48.8	74.1
Union	23.1	0.0	95.6	118.7
Region	581.3	115.2	2,167.8	2,864.3



Bicycle travel is an important part of transportation in central Ohio, as is improving bike friendliness. Bicycles are allowed by default on all streets and roads unless they are specifically prohibited, such as on limited access highways. Some municipalities, such as Columbus, prohibit bicycling on sidewalks. Cyclists must obey the same signs and signals that motorists obey. Bicycling can also occur on separate multi-use paths (also known as trails).

The map shows the location of existing and proposed multi-use paths. Several multi-use paths were constructed in 2009. They include **Granville's new pedestrian "Gateway Bridge"**, **The Heart of Ohio Trail** from Centerburg to near Mount Vernon, a **bike path bridge in Chillicothe** and a **bike path in Canal Winchester**.

The Ohio to Erie Trail runs through Knox, Delaware, Franklin, and Madison Counties. This 325-mile trail system will reach from Cincinnati to Cleveland, traveling through Columbus and Akron. Well over half of the trail is already complete.

The City of Columbus Bicentennial Bikeways Plan (2008) calls for 50 miles of new bikeways in the city by 2012. MORPC's 2006 Regional Bicycle Transportation Facilities Plan includes 916 new miles of bikeways in the region by 2030, and new plans have more than doubled this proposed figure. As of 2009, communities have already begun to prepare for the building of 115 miles of new bicycle paths in the region.

MORPC partnered with the City of Columbus, Consider Biking, various other agencies and local bicyclists to produce a bike usability map of Franklin County in May 2009. More maps are expected to be printed in the summer of 2010.