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NOTICE OF A MEETING
CENTRAL OHIO GREENWAYS BOARD
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

REMOTE MEETING

November 9, 2021, 2:30 pm

1. **Welcome and Introductions** – *Chair Letty Schamp*
2. **2022 COG Board Membership Updates** – *Melinda Vonstein*
3. **Legislative Updates & Capital Budget** – *Joe Garrity*
4. **MORPC Updates**
 - a. Technical Assistance – *Lauren Cardoni*
5. **Working Group Reports**
 - a. Trail Development – *Working Group Chair Laura Ball*
 - Trail Vision Updates
 - 2022 Goals
 - b. Marketing & Communications – *Working Group Chair Adrienne Joly*
 - Trail Towns
 - 2022 Goals
 - c. Operations & Access – *Working Group Chair Catherine Girves*
 - On-Road Trail Signage
 - 2022 Goals
 - d. Partnership – *Working Group Chair Bill Habig*
 - Impact of Trails
 - 2022 Goals
6. **Other Business**
 - a. Proposed 2022 Meeting Dates:

January 19	July 20
March 16	September 21
May 18	November 17

7. Adjourn

The next Central Ohio Greenways Board Meeting will be January 19, 2021.
Location to be determined.

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Karen J. Angelou
Chair

Erik J. Janas
Vice Chair

Chris Amorose Grooms
Secretary



Central Ohio Greenways

Active Transportation Committee
October 19, 2021



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Technical Assistance Program 2.0

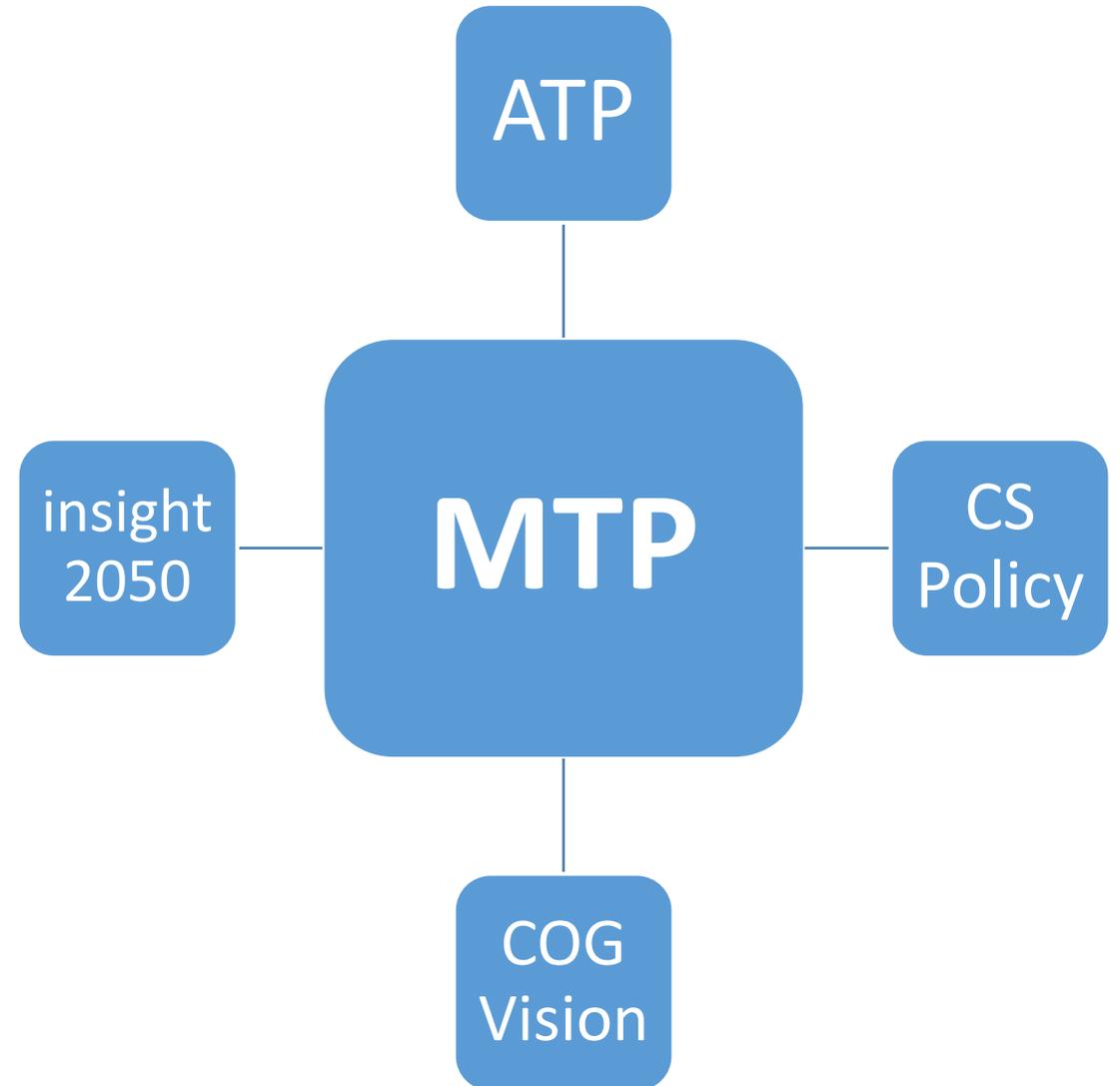
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New Program Purpose

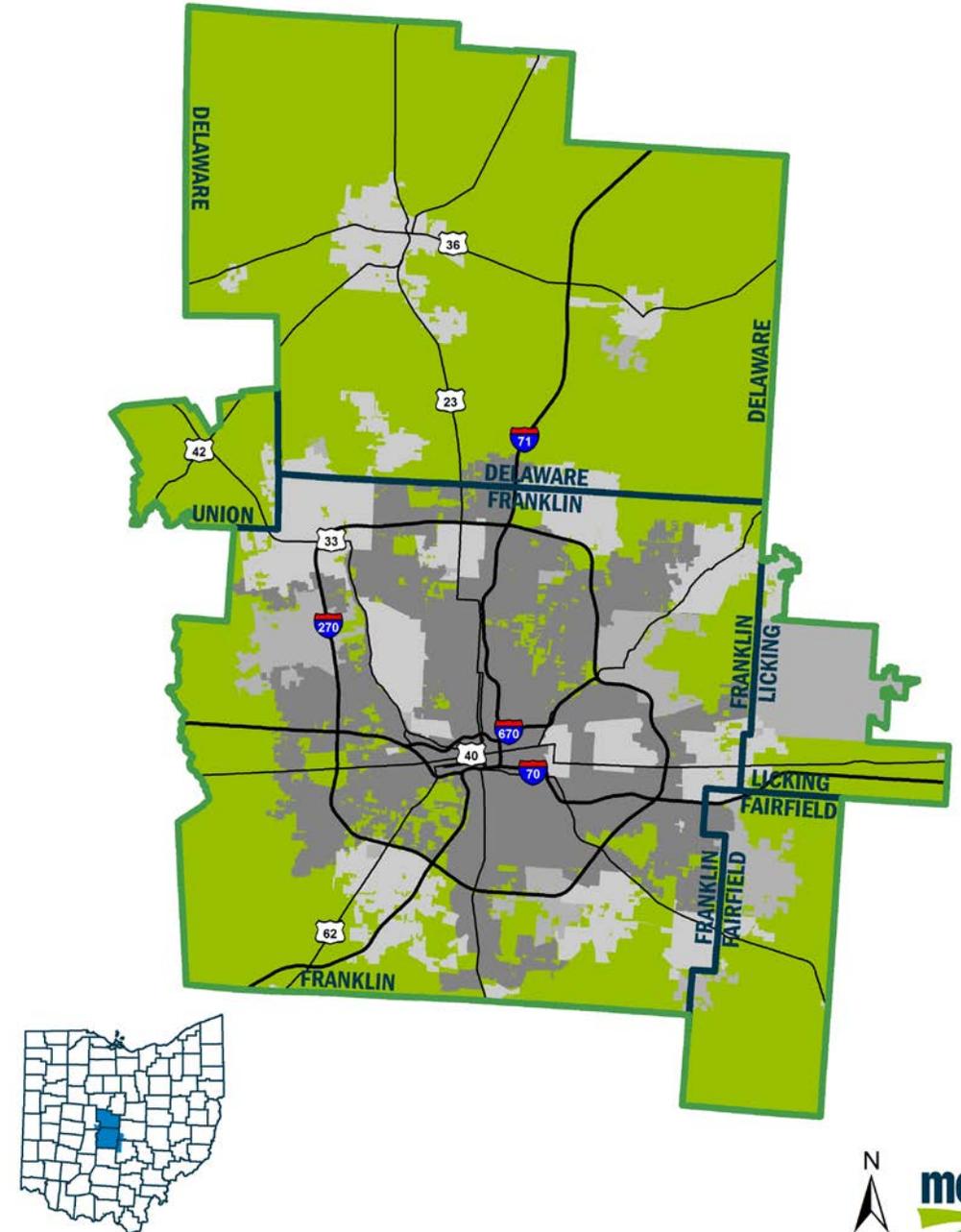
- New focus on **moving from plan/concept to project implementation**
- **Address regional goals** established in the MTP
- **Advance specific MTP strategies** focused on active transportation and transit infrastructure
- **Move toward annual program** with shorter project timeframes
- Requiring **more detailed scopes** of work for selected activities



Program Eligibility

- Local government member within the MPO
- Services requested are within the scope of the TA Program
- Application must be complete (including signed letter of commitment)
- Application must be received prior to the application deadline

MORPC MPO Area



Applicant Responsibilities

**Designation of staff
time commitment and
specific Project
Manager**

**Provision of any
relevant data or
materials**

**Participation from
relevant departments
within the local agency**

**Regular
communication with
appropriate community
stakeholders**

**Regularly scheduled
check-ins with
MORPC staff**

**Consistent and timely
review of all materials
submitted**

Technical Assistance Activity Types

- 1 Central Ohio Greenways Vision Refinement
- 2 Trail Access Improvements
- 3 Active Transportation Project Prioritization
- 4 Complete Streets Policy
- 5 Walk Audit
- 6 Transit Oriented Development
- ? Other Activity Type

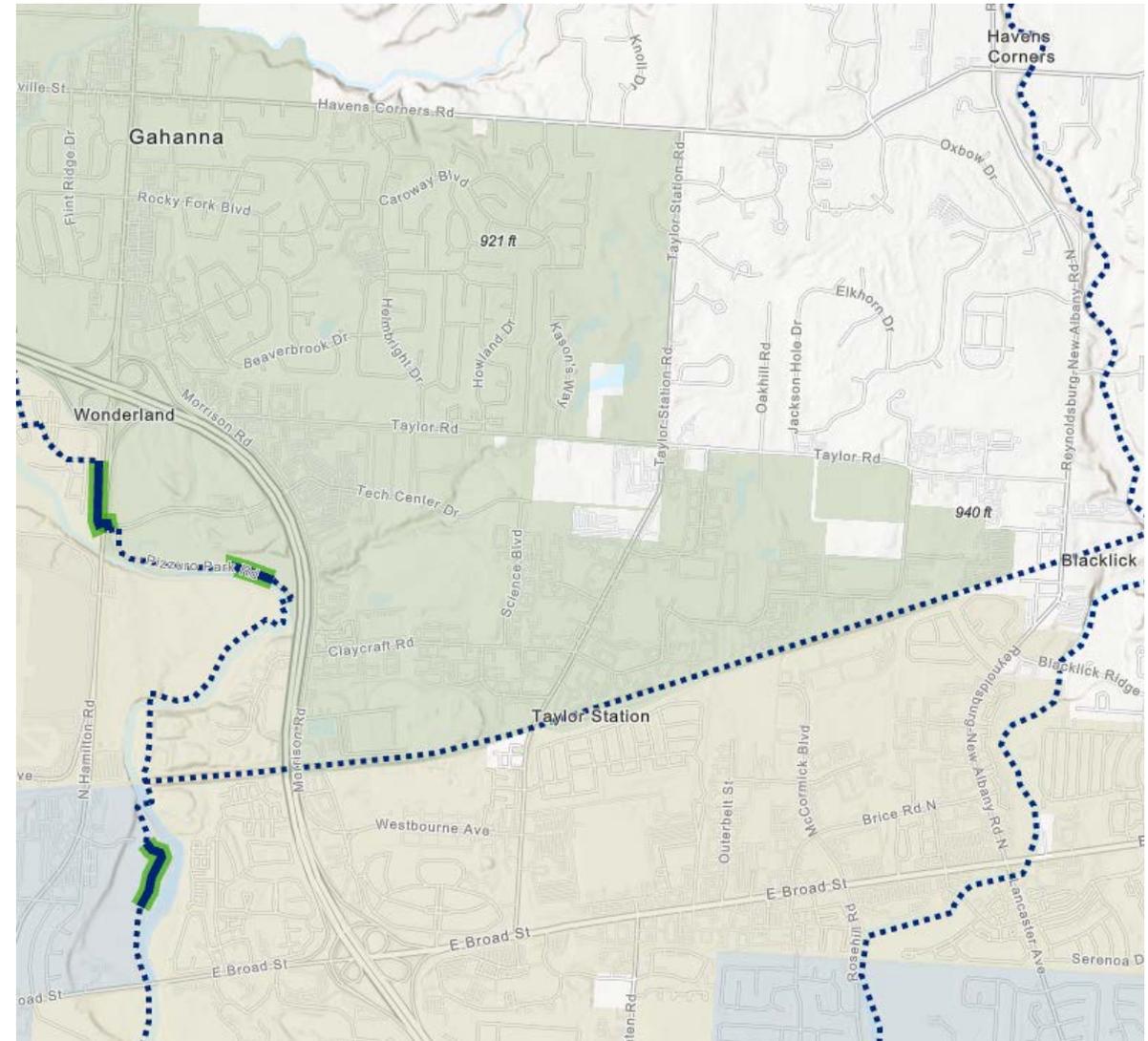
Central Ohio Greenways Vision Refinement

Activity Tasks:

- Review the COG Vision within jurisdiction
- Refine proposed trail facilities
- Develop strategy for prioritizing and implementing proposed facilities

Activity Goal:

- Move COG Vision closer to implementation



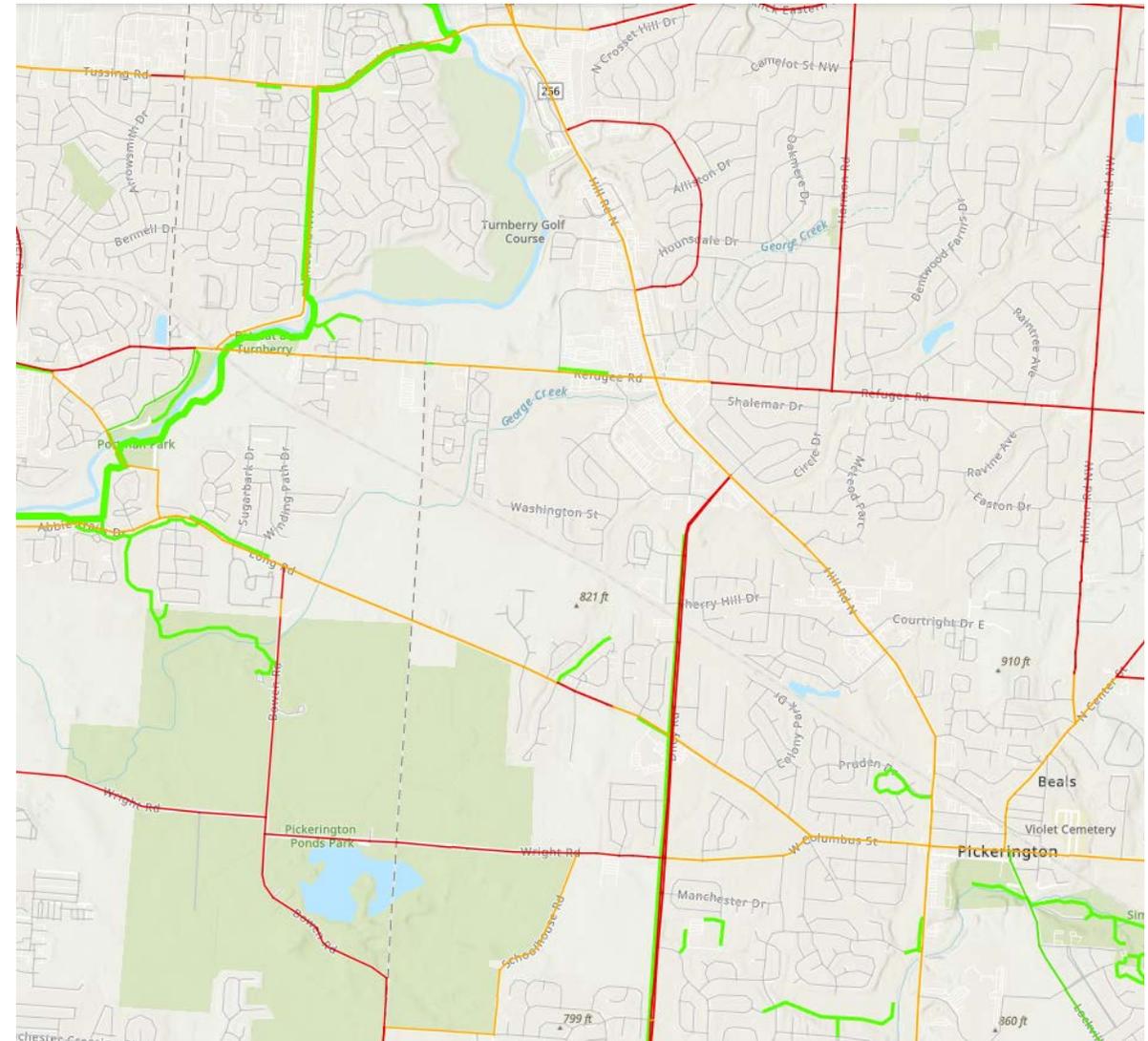
Trail Access Improvements

Activity Tasks:

- Review trail accessibility within jurisdiction
- Identify potential access improvements
- Develop strategy for prioritizing and implementing proposed improvements

Activity Goal:

- Implement regional ATP and lessons learned from COG Trail Prioritization Study



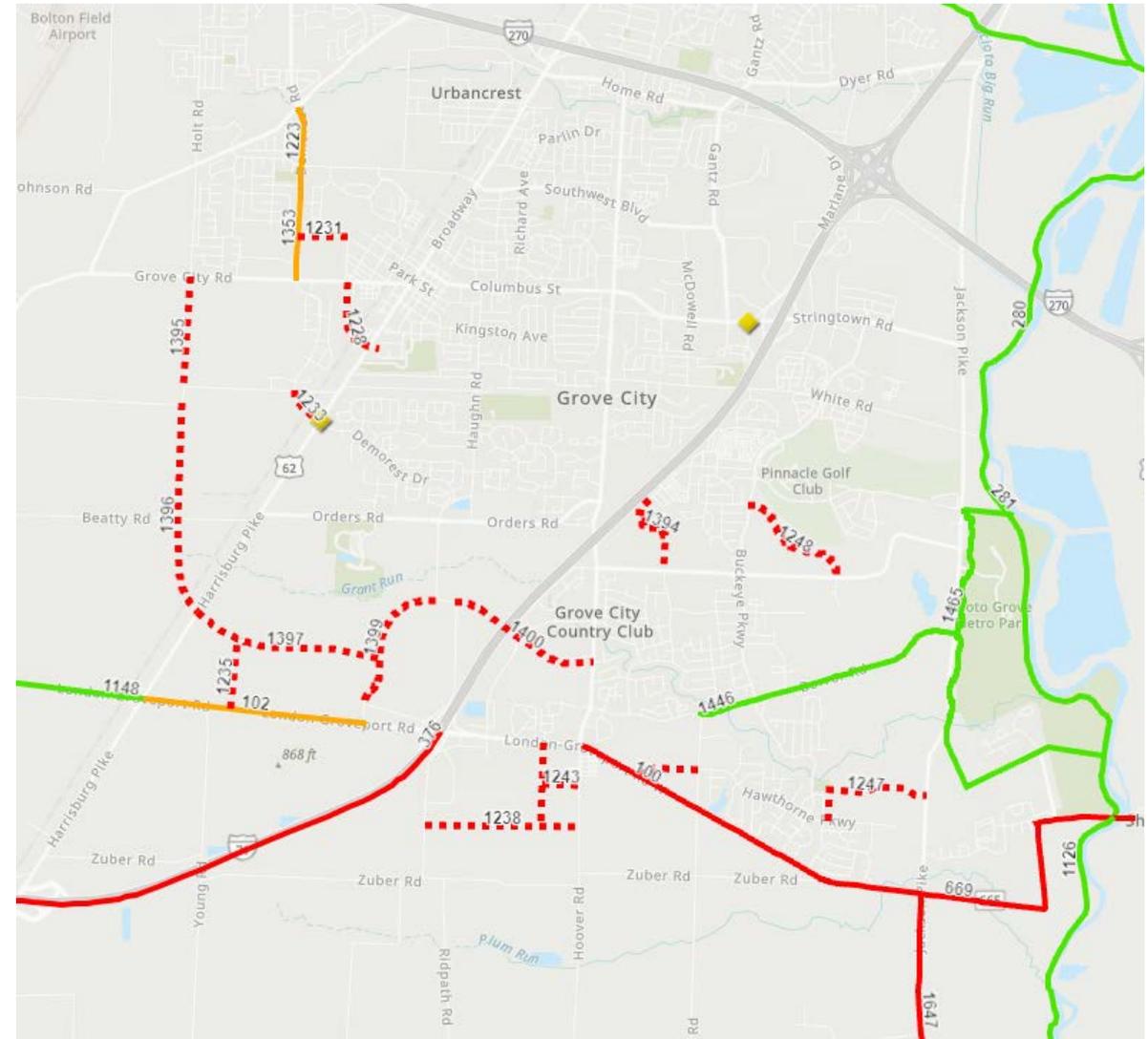
Active Transportation Project Prioritization

Activity Tasks:

- Review active transportation projects in the MTP within jurisdiction
- Review additional active transportation needs
- Refine potential projects for inclusion the next MTP update
- Develop strategy for prioritizing and implementing proposed improvements

Activity Goal:

- Implement MTP and ATP



Complete Streets Policy

Activity Tasks:

- Review existing policies and standards established in community
- Establish relevant best practices and guidance
- Develop Complete Streets Policy

Activity Goal:

- More local communities adopt CS Policies throughout the region

Complete Streets Policies

Several Central Ohio communities have adopted their own Complete Streets policies, resolutions, or ordinances:

- [Columbus – Complete Streets Resolution](#)
- [Delaware – Complete Streets Policy](#) *
- [Franklin County – Complete Streets Resolution](#)
- [Hilliard – Complete Streets Policy](#)
- [Gahanna – Complete Streets Policy](#)
- [Liberty Township – Complete Streets Policy](#)
- [Upper Arlington – Complete Streets Policy](#)
- [Westerville – Complete Streets Resolution](#)
- [Worthington – Complete Streets Policy](#) *

**Past TAP activities*

Walk Audit

Activity Tasks:

- Review pedestrian-involved crashes within a community
- Conduct a detailed walk audit at priority location
- Develop strategy for prioritizing and implementing improvements

Activity Goal:

- Implement Central Ohio Transportation Safety Plan (COTSP)



Transit Oriented Development

Activity Tasks:

- Assess local policies and codes within a community
- Identify potential changes for enabling transit-supportive development
- Develop strategy for implementing recommended changes

Activity Goal:

- Implement active transportation and transit-supportive development



Parameters for “Other” Activity Type

- Technical assistance should **focus on moving from plan/concept to project implementation.**
- Activity should align with:
 - Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP),
 - Active Transportation Plan (ATP), or
 - Central Ohio Greenways Vision.
- Applicant must **provide a detailed scope of work.**



Application Details

Required Documentation

- Applicant information
- Selected activity type
- Preferred scope of work
- Staff commitment
- Formal letter of commitment

Application Criteria

- Proposed community objectives
- MTP strategies
- Implementing regional priorities
- Equity considerations
- Local commitment and collaboration
- Leveraging investment

Important Dates



October 19, 2021	November 2021	December 13, 2021	January 14, 2022	February 4, 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review with ATC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review with CAC/TAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Call for Projects• Informational Webinar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deadline to Submit Applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awardees Notified

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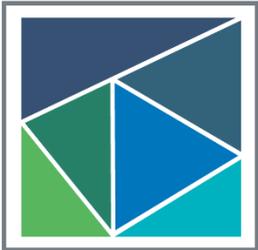
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Trail Development



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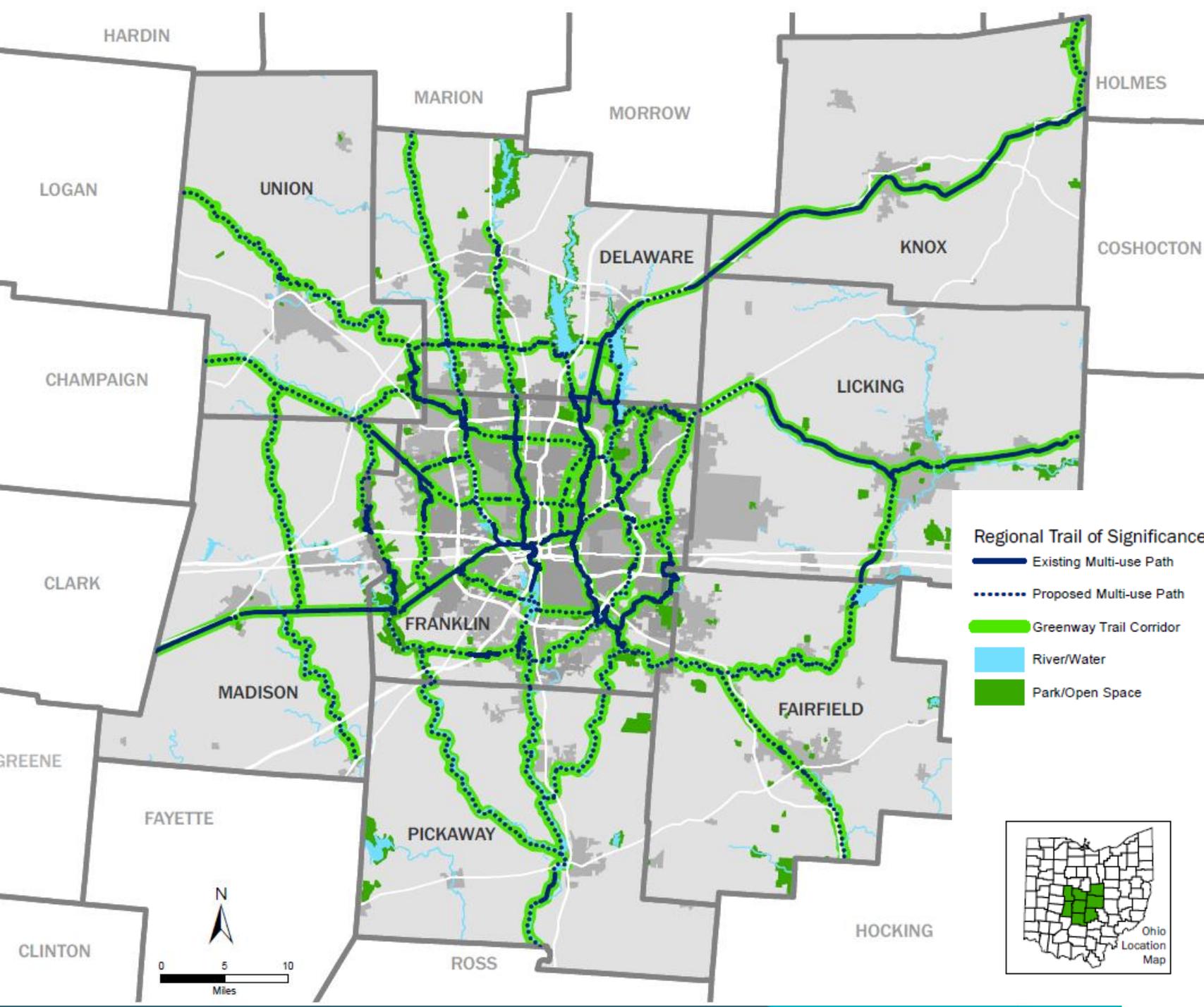


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Regional Trail Vision

500+ Proposed Trail Miles

230+ Existing Trail Miles



Regional Trail of Significance

-  Existing Multi-use Path
-  Proposed Multi-use Path
-  Greenway Trail Corridor
-  River/Water
-  Park/Open Space



Trail Count Equipment



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- Maintain the Regional Trail Vision
- Trail Count Program Development
- Regional Trail Vision Implementation



Trail Count Equipment



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Trail Monitoring Equipment Upgrades



Multi-Use Counters

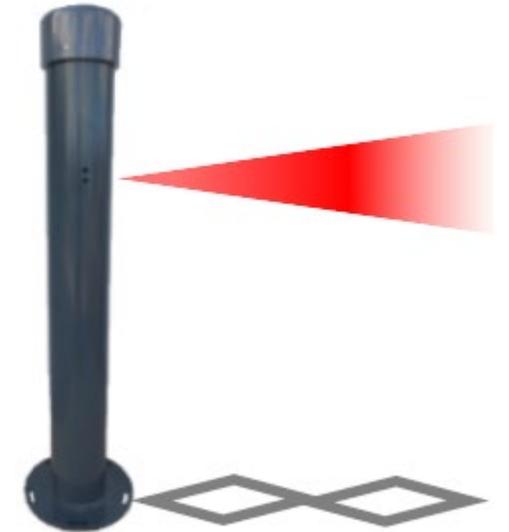
MULTI in an Urban Post

Discretely measures cyclist and pedestrian usage in an urban environment

- Differentiates user type
- Records direction of travel
- 1 – 2 year battery life
- 11 months of data memory
- \$5,700 per unit
 - Up to 15' range
 - Direction detection
 - (not incl. installation)



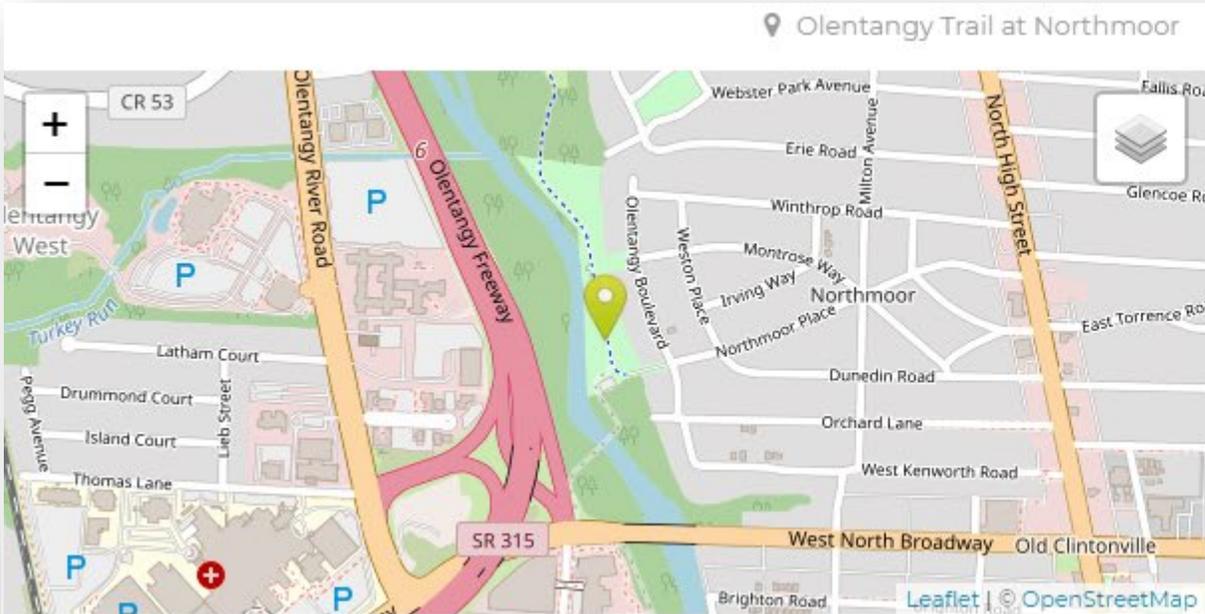
Cyclists and pedestrians are counted and differentiated on a shared use path



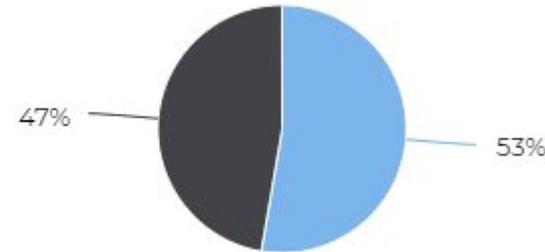
Eco Counter Online Dashboard



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Current ... Olentangy Trail at Nor...



● Olentangy Trail at Northmoor P...
● Olentangy Trail at Northmoor C...



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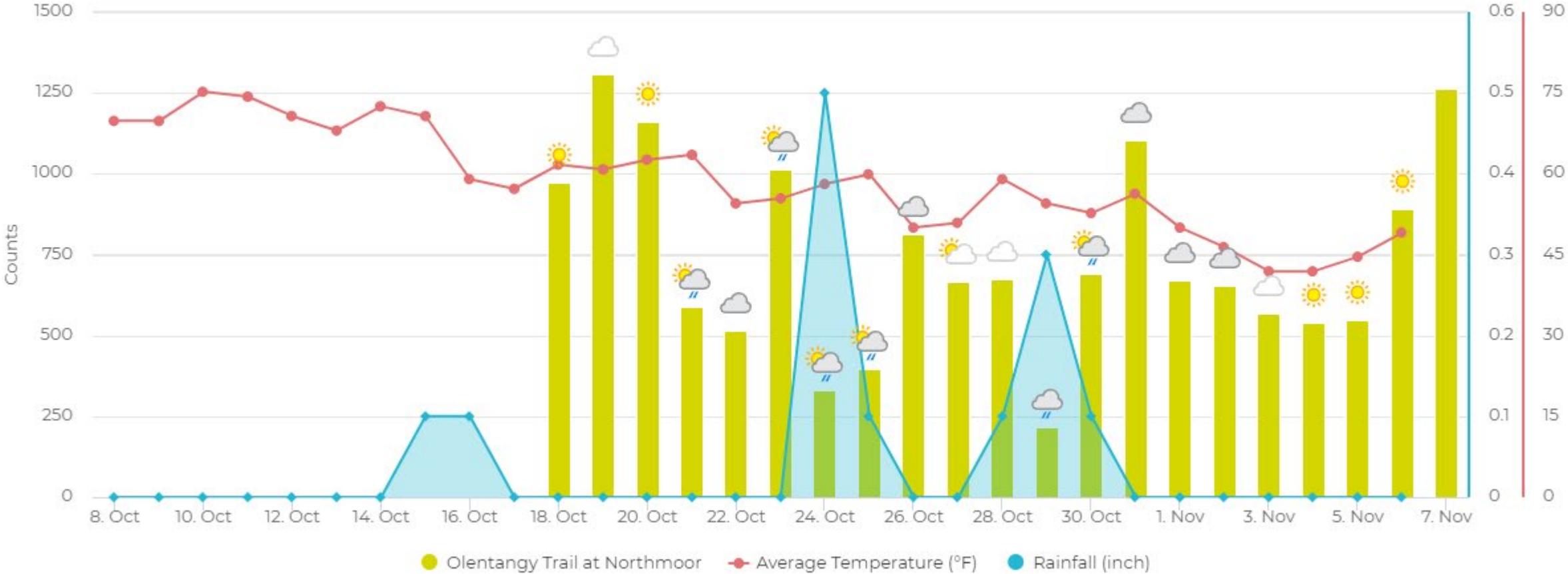


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Weather Conditions

Rolling Month

Olentangy Trail at Northmoor



Marketing & Communications



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MOBILE PASSPORT PROGRAM



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Experience Columbus has teamed up with the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission for a great outdoor trail pass program to enjoy with friends or family. These trails are perfect for hiking, biking, jogging, and even paddling! Try them all now—what are you waiting for?

Check out these links for more information and directions!

- [Central Ohio Greenways Map](#)
- [Central Ohio Biking Map](#)
- [Rapid 5](#)

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Explore Now

Central Ohio Greenways Trail Town Framework

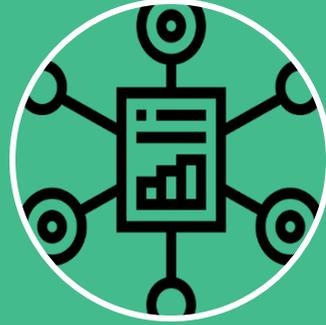


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PART 1

- Asset inventory and trail town visioning



PART 2

- Develop a general framework for a long-term trail town guide in



PART 3

- Short-term local community implementation strategies



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- Manage Social Media
- Track Mobile Passport Progress
- Support the Trail Town Project
- Develop talking points and/or meet with communities about COG



Operations & Access

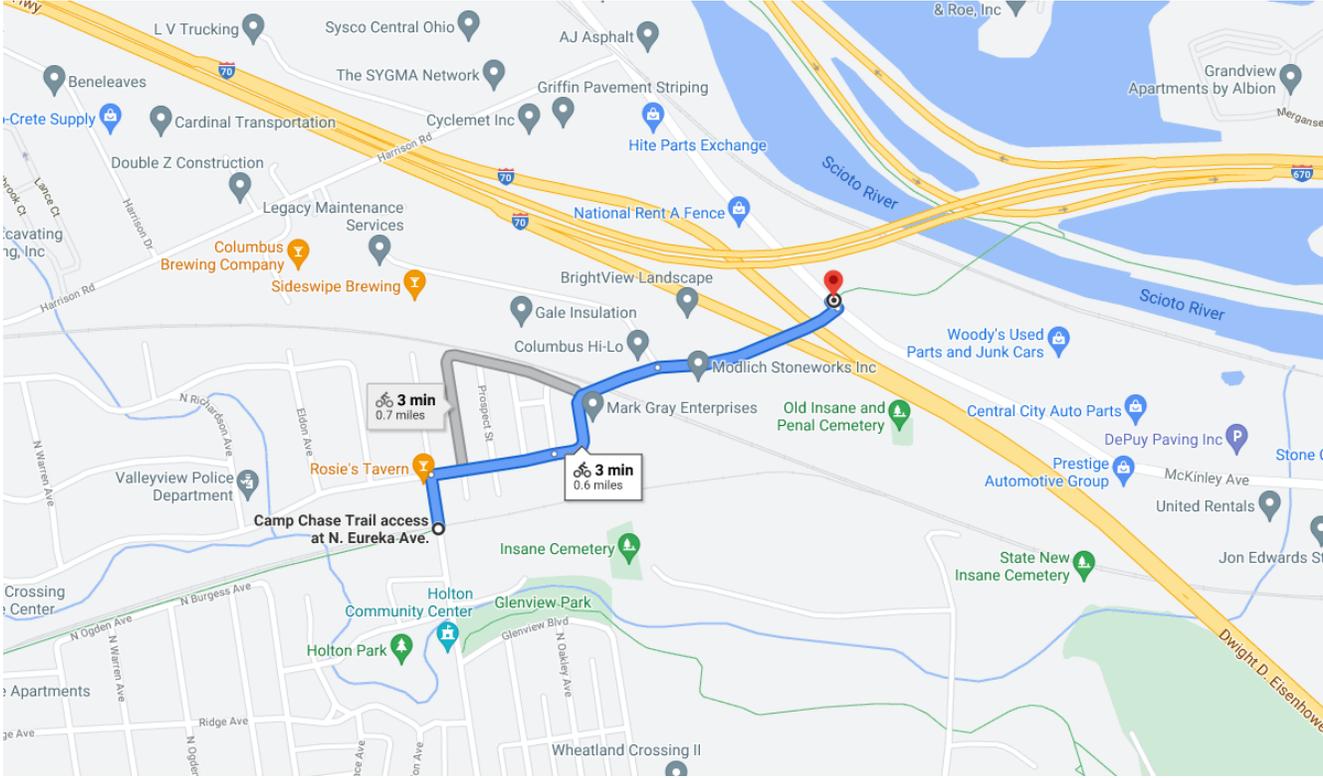
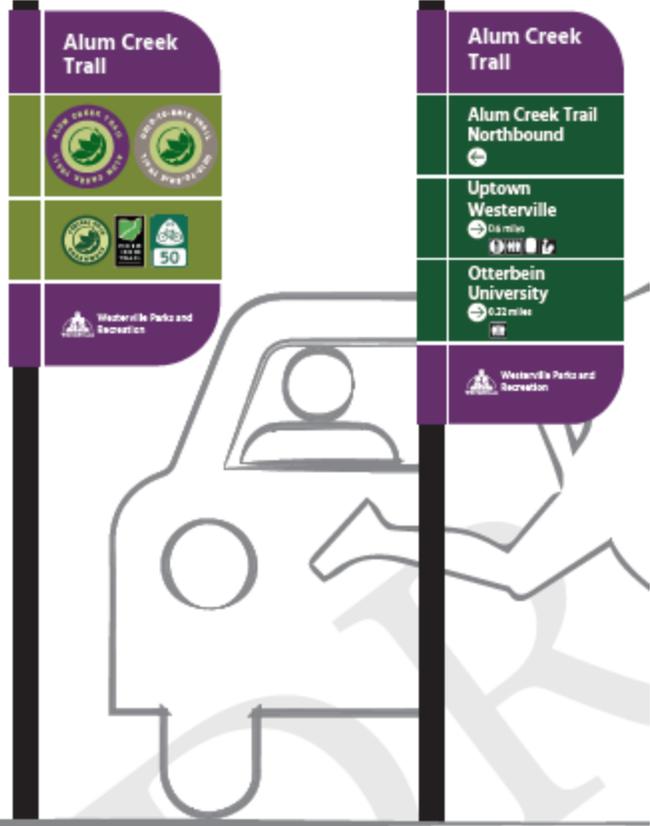


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Eureka Wayfinding Discussion



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- Develop guidelines for equitable/inclusive access to trail
- Wayfinding support
- Consider technology integrations



Partnership



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Economic Impact of Trails



Per Mile Impacts

- An estimated **350 regular trail users** per mile of trail
- **\$194,000 Mean Healthcare Cost Savings** achieved by active trail users per mile
- **\$2 million of total economic impact** per mile due to direct construction activity, and professional services (architects, engineers... etc.)
- **84,000 of reduced Vehicle Miles Traveled** Annually per mile of trail
- **\$300,000 of direct spending** associated with trails, per mile
- **\$18,800 per mile, annual property tax revenue** increase due to property value increases near trails



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- Focus on Environmental Partnerships
- Environmental Greenways Design Guide



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