

Tonight's Agenda

- 1. Project browsing (5:30-5:45)
- 2. Presentation (5:45-6:00)
- 3. Small group break out (6:00-7:00)



Lake Links Trail – South Shore Blvd.

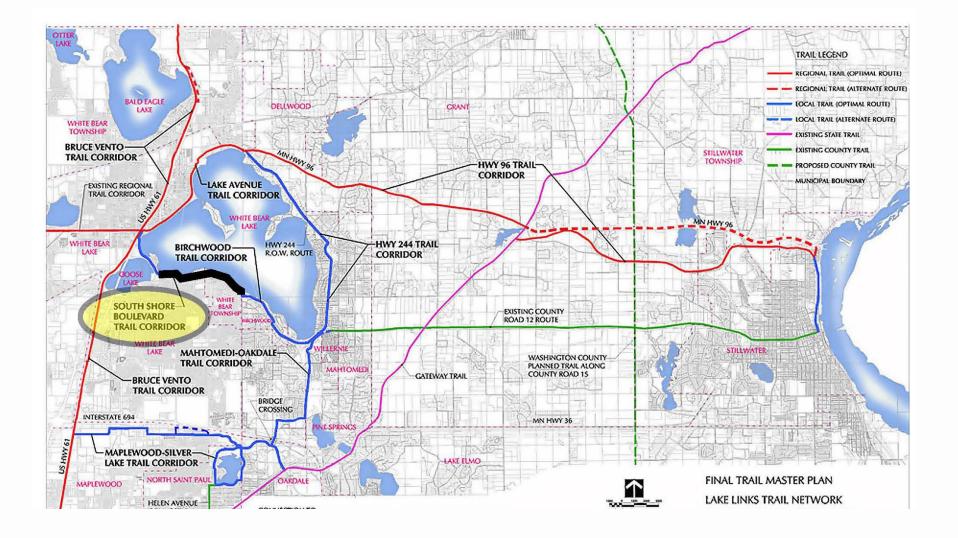
11/16/17 Neighborhood Meeting #1



Project Overview

- The South Shore Boulevard Trail segment is a 1.5 mile section of the Lake Links Trail Network
 - The Lake Links Trail Network Master Plan was completed in 2001
- South Shore Boulevard is a county road
- This project is currently being co-led by Ramsey County Parks & Recreation and Public Works
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 - parks@ramseycounty.us
- Lake Links Trail Association
 - <u>www.lakelinks.net</u>
 - www.facebook.com/Lakelinks/











Introductions

Project Advisory Team - PAT

Ramsey County Parks & Recreation (Scott Yonke) Ramsey County Public Works (Joe Lux, Kathy Jaschke) City of White Bear Lake (Anne Kane, Mark Burch, Jesse Farrell) White Bear Township (Bill Short, Tom Riedesel)

Design Team

HTPO (Charlie Howley, Adam Pawelk) Spack (Bryant Ficek)



What does the project team want to accomplish tonight...

- Listen to wants and needs
- Get feedback on initial system options
- Idea sharing
- Document all of the above

Please contact us with comments, we want input! Email: <u>parks@ramseycounty.us</u>



Project Goal

To Prepare Preliminary Development Plans for this segment of the Lake Links Trail Network based on a public and stakeholder process.

Ultimately, the completed Lake Links Trail Network will provide a very high recreational value to the surrounding communities and will greatly improve pedestrian and bicycle safety along the individual corridors



What we have done so far.....

- Ramsey County was handed a pass through grant from the Met Council to perform the preliminary investigative design
- Contracted with a design consultant
- Held 3 PAT meetings
- Performed a traffic analysis focusing primarily on a One-way vs. Two-way vehicular traffic flow, including various combinations of One-way and Two-way segments
- Performed initial cross sectional review of corridor to evaluate impacts of adding a trail with respect to grading, right-of-way, utilities and stormwater management



What we have <u>NOT</u> done so far...

- Predetermined a preferred alternative
- Developed cost estimates for any of the options
- Developed preliminary plans showing trail/roadway alignments for any of the options
- Developed an implementation schedule
- Obtained funding for implementation



Overview of potential roadway/trail configuration options...

- Existing roadway w/ separated trail
- Existing roadway w/ on-road trail
- Conversion to One-way roadway w/ separated trail
- Conversion to One-way roadway w/ on-road trail
- Combination of the above



Existing Two-way roadway w/ separated trail

Benefits:

- Large degree of bike
 and pedestrian safety
- No change to vehicular travel paths
- No impacts to access

Impacts:

- Widest Right-of-Way
- Grading challenges

Costs:

• High





Existing Two-way roadway w/ on-road trail

Benefits:

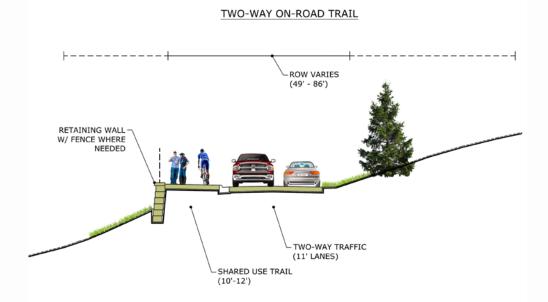
- No change to vehicular traffic paths
- No impacts to access

Impacts:

- Moderate Right-of-Way needs
- Moderate grading challenges
- Likely to trigger
 stormwater permitting

Costs:

Moderate





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One-way roadway w/ separated trail

Benefits:

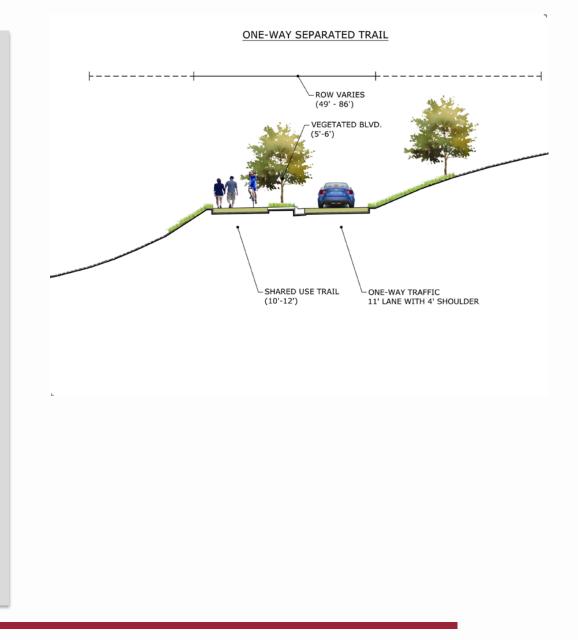
- Large degree of bike and pedestrian safety
- Minimal grading

Impacts:

- Change to vehicular travel routes
- Increase in County Rd F
 traffic
- Changes to access

Costs:

• Moderate





One-way roadway w/ on-road trail

Benefits:

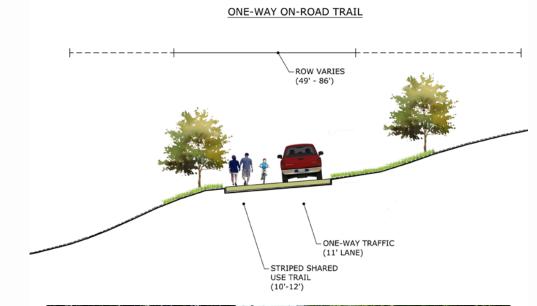
- Lowest cost
- Least amount of grading
- Minor ROW needs

Impacts:

- Change to vehicular travel routes
- Increase in County Rd F
 traffic
- Changes to access

Costs:

• Low





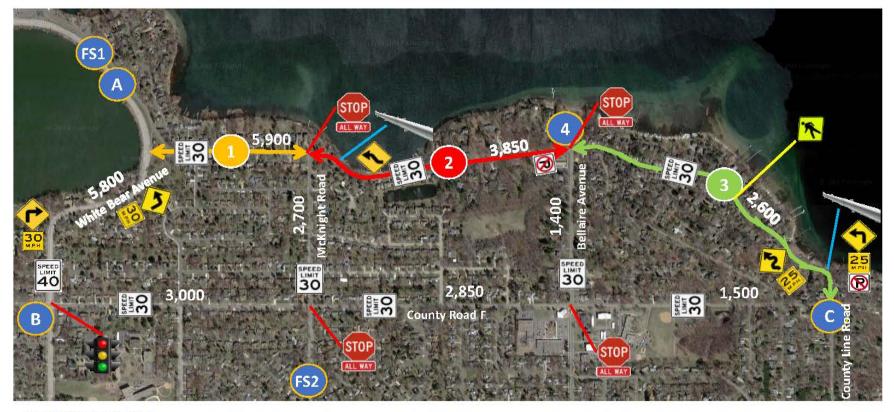


Other questions to consider...

- On street parking
- Lighting
- Rural vs. Urban section (curb or not)
- Which side of street should trail go



South Shore Boulevard - Existing Conditions



South Shore Boulevard:



Segment 1 - White Bear Avenue to McKnight Road

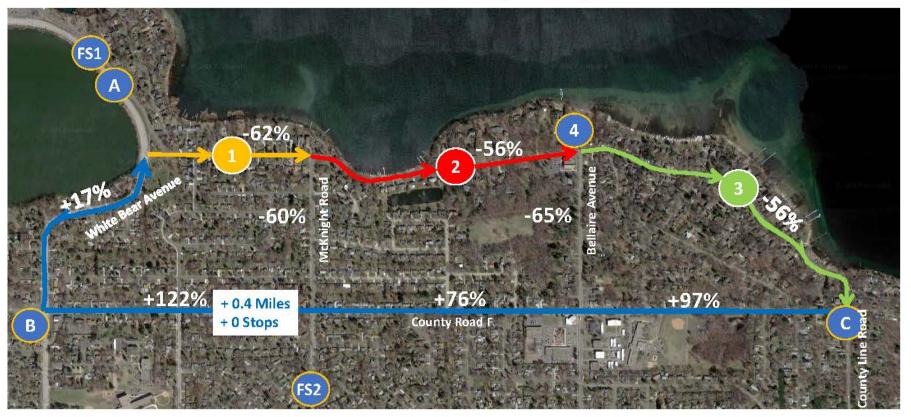


Segment 2 - McKnight Road to Bellaire Avenue



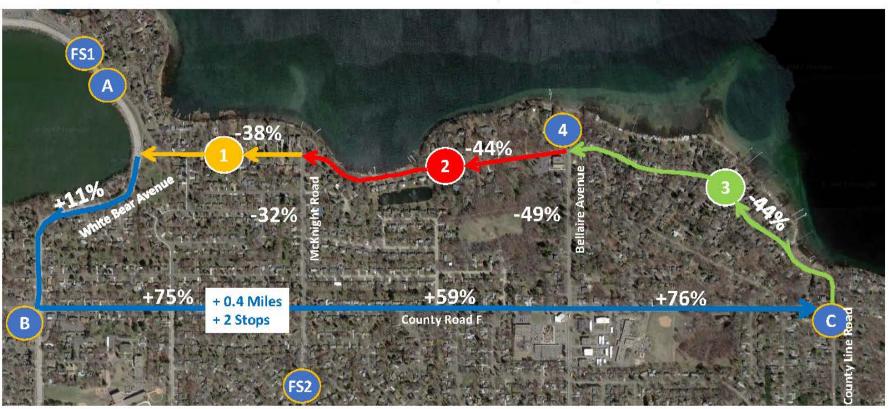
Segment 3 - Bellaire Avenue to County Line Road





South Shore Boulevard - Eastbound Only Travel Option Comparison





South Shore Boulevard - Westbound Only Travel Option Comparison



Next Steps...

- Assemble comments
- Continue w/ PAT meetings
- Refine options and estimate conceptual costs
- Hold 2nd Neighborhood meeting
 - 12/7/17 same time & place
- Define a Preferred Alternative
 - by 12/31/17
- Review project with City Council and Town Board
- Develop an Implementation Plan tbd
- Seek funding tbd
- Final Design tbd
- Construction tbd





Thank You!

The project team will be available at the various tables for small group Q&A

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