







Missouri River North Trail Plan

Public Meeting #1

January 17, 2024

5:30 to 7 p.m

Today's Meeting

What we're here for

Why make this trail connection

Opportunities and considerations

Questions and answers

What we're here for

Project Overview

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- Provide the final link connecting the existing Northland trail system
- Connect through Riverside, North Kansas City, Kansas City
- Connect trails:
 - Line Creek Trail
 - Interurban Trail
 - North Oak Trail
 - Armour Road Cycle Track
 - Future Burlington Cycle Track
 - Chouteau Trail



Project Area

- North of the Missouri River
- Connecting areas of:
 - Riverside
 - North Kansas City
 - Kansas City



Process & Schedule



Why make this trail connection

Project Importance

Importance of Project

- Aligns with goals in all 3 communities
 - KCMO Spirit Playbook
 - NKC Bike Master Plan
 - Riverside Master Plan
- Follows millions of dollars and dozens of miles in existing trail + bike facility development
- Connects across the Northland (east-west) and the Northland to Downtown
- The missing link that unlocks massive walking & biking trip potential for the region



Connecting to Trails & Parks

- 106 miles of trails and protected bicycle facilities in Northland
- **33 miles of trails** and protected bicycle facilities
- 570 acres of parks
- Connecting gaps will unlock a broader network of transportation and recreation amenities for the Northland



Connecting to Jobs

- 10,000 downtown Kansas City workers live within ½ mile of the Northland trails
- 90,000 jobs and 93,000 workers located within ½ mile of Northland trails
- Connecting gaps in these trails can make bicycling a viable commute choice for more workers.



Multimodal Options

- 9% of households in the study area don't have a car
- Trails and bicycle facilities can help extend the impact of public transit and provide a vital link to people who don't have the option of driving.



Completing Trips

- 40% of trips in our study area are 3 miles or shorter
- By providing safe and convenient options for walking and biking, people will feel more encouraged to reduce driving and increase their physical activity.



Project Goal

- Plan high-quality trail connections that:
 - Provide recreational opportunity
 - Connect residents to parks and amenities
 - Connect residents to large employers
 - Provide multimodal transportation options



Opportunities and Considerations

Project Area Overview



















Connection Opportunities













Next Steps

Focus	Timing
Refined improvement concepts	Winter to spring 2024
 Public Meeting #2 Online commenting Meetings with key groups, agencies (as needed) 	
Preferred concept and final planning document	Spring to summer 2024
 Public Meeting #3 Online commenting Meetings with key groups, agencies (as needed) 	

Contact us and comment!

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Online commenting is available through February 7, 2024, at:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/MORiverNorthTrail



Questions?

Comment on the

maps:

What <u>opportunities</u> does the Missouri River North Trail project present? <u>Issues</u>?

Green or yellow post-it note for <u>opportunities</u>

Red or pink

post-it notes for

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