

Study Area

- Includes 15 miles of trail between Higgins Road and Lake Cook Road
- Abutted by 8 municipalities
- Intersected by several major corridors, transit lines, and future local and regional trails
- Part of 5o+ mile regional trail

Des Plaines River Trail Plan

Plan Goals

- To improve access to the Des Plaines River Trail for people of all ages, all abilities, and all modes of transportation.
- To improve usability of the Des Plaines River Trail for people of all ages, all abilities, and all active modes of transport including, walking, bicycling, equestrian, canoe, and kayak.
- To positively exploit the trail as an economic, transportation, and recreation asset for the communities surrounding the Des Plaines River Trail.

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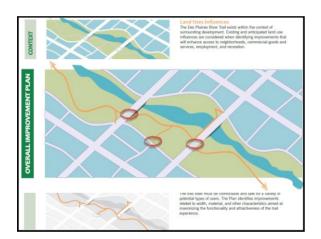


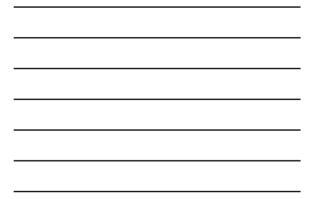
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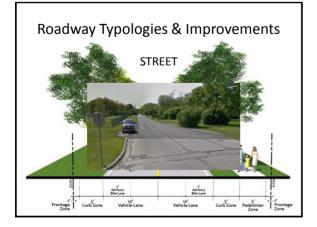
- Key stakeholder interviews
 Meetings with relevant local
- Meetings with relevant local and regional agencies
- On-line questionnaires to identify issues and priorities
- sMap interactive mapping software to identify specific areas of improvement
- Trail ride to discuss specific issues along the corridor



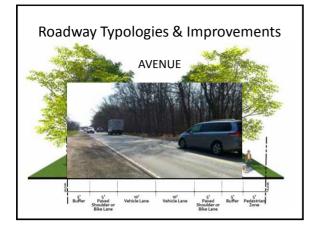
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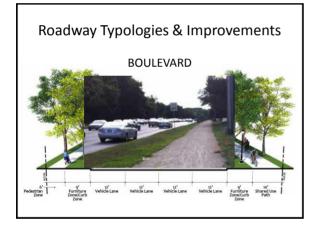
















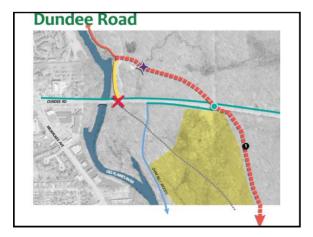


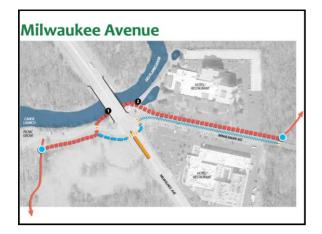


Key Improvement Projects

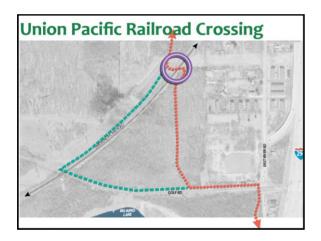
- Dundee Road
- Milwaukee Avenue
- Union Pacific Crossing
- Touhy Avenue
- Devon Avenue



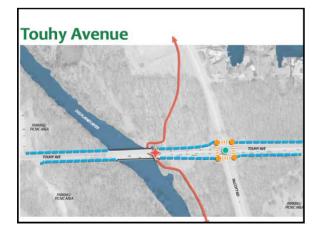


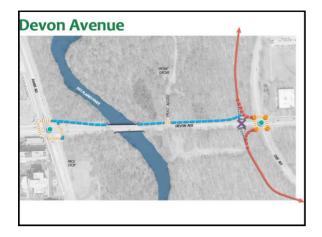






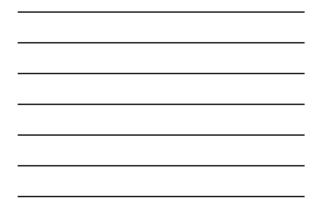












Key Implementation Considerations

- Policy & program recommendations
 - Complete Streets
 - Crossing standards
 - Friends of the Des Plaines River Trail
 - Education, Encouragement and Awareness
 - Connectivity to Transit
 - Unrecognized Trails
- Inter-jurisdictional Collaboration
- Implementation in unincorporated areas
- Grant Pursuits
- Funding

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http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/programs -and-resources/lta/nwmc-bike-ped