



PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

Trails and Blueways Council Meeting Agenda April 23, 2024, at 6:30PM George Hellwig Administration Building

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Administrative Business Items, 5 min.**
 - a. Approval of March 26, 2024, Meeting Minutes
 - b. Acceptance of April 5, 2024, Bristow Battlefield Site Visit Notes
 - c. Resolutions, if any
- 4. Citizen's Time, 10 min.**
- 5. County Agency Representative's Time and Presentation Items, 15 min.**
 - a. Parks and Recreation
 - i. PHNST Gap Study Update, David Kroeger
 - b. Transportation
 - i. Bike To Work Day Update – May 17, Bryce Barrett
 - ii. Bike and Pedestrian Resources Webpage Update, Bryce Barrett
 - iii. Yorkshire Multimodel Corridor Study, Bryce Barrett
 - c. Planning
- 6. Community Development Applications, 15 min.**
 - a. Destination Place Rezoning Application, Yolanda Hipski & David Kroeger
 - b. Evergreen at Telegraph Road, Bryce Barrett
- 7. Presentation Items/Reports**
 - a. County-wide Trails Plan Discussion, Staff Team Facilitation, 10 min.
 - b. Powell's Creek Crossing Reflections, Liz Cronauer, 5 min.
 - c. Neabsco Greenway Presentation, David Kroeger, 5 min.
- 8. Organization Representative's Time, 10 min.**
- 9. Member's Time, 20 min.**
- 10. Meeting Recap, 5 min.**
 - a. PHNST Subcommittee – TBD
 - b. Next meeting's agenda – scheduled May 28
- 11. Adjourn**

Prince William County
TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS COUNCIL

Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

Meeting Minutes
March 26, 2024; 6:30 PM

Attendance

District	Appointee	Present (in person)	Present (virtual)	Absent
At Large	Amy Latalladi-Fulton	✓		
	Bill McCarty	✓		
Brentsville	Liz Cronauer	✓		
	Catherine O'Connor	✓		
Coles	Mike DePue	✓		
	Joe Marshall	✓		
Gainesville	Duane Martin			✓
	VACANT			
Neabsco	Jason Williams	✓		
	Rich Wilson	✓		
Occoquan	Eileen Sheridan			✓
	Neil Nelson	✓		
Potomac	Steven Cover	✓		
	Bill Selfridge	✓		
Woodbridge	David Brickley			✓
	Lynda Silverstrand	✓		

Staff persons Patti Pakkala, Yolanda Hipski, David Kroeger, and DPR Deputy Director Janet Bartnik were present. Bryce Barrett and Eugene Loew participated virtually.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Liz Cronauer at 6:30 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Administrative:

- February 27, 2024, T&BC minutes were approved through a motion by Neil and seconded by Lynda.
- February 28, 2024, PHNST Notes were accepted through a motion by Neil and seconded by Jason.
- March 8, 2024, Braemar Visit Notes were approved through a motion by Liz and seconded by Steven.
- Resolution 24-5 allowing virtual attendance by David Brickley was approved through a motion by Lynda and seconded by Amy. David was not able to join the meeting virtually, so this does not count against his limit of 25% attendance virtually in 2024.
- There was discussion of the recent Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) training and the need to announce and document minutes for all gatherings where three or more T&BC members are present. Giving Janet 72 hours' notice will enable proper public announcements to be posted. She will work on any issues that come up.
- William (Bill) Selfridge was introduced as the new member of the T&BC from the Potomac District.
- FY25 Budget Funding resolution 24-6 was discussed. It was pointed out that due to the current budget cycle, its passage was needed immediately both for possible comment at the next evening's Planning meeting and so TBC members can quote it to their supervisors. The resolution recommended that over 6 million dollars in shovel or design ready projects and 250 thousand dollars in trails maintenance be included in the FY 2025 budget. The resolution was discussed and passed by the T&BC and distributed to the BOCS the following day.

Citizen's Time.

- Russell Bryant mentioned from his experience that at this point in the budget cycle budget changes must be brought forward by supervisors.
- Charlie Grymes and Elliott Caldwell were present virtually.
- Elliott Caldwell asked about and was pointed to Resolution 24-4 from the February meeting regarding the T&BC's recommended routing of the Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail (PHNST) under I-95 and US 1 along the Occoquan River.

County Agency Representatives

PWC Department of Parks and Recreation. Janet Bartnik, Patti Pakkala, David Kroeger

- Patti reported that an initial meeting with the consultant for PHNST gaps resolution FLAP Grant had taken place. They are expecting the consultant to perform a feasibility study with a design and cost estimate for gap 1 (Occoquan to Belmont Bay) and preliminary feasibility studies (as funding allows) for gaps 2 (Dumfries to Rochambeau Road in PWFP) and 3 (PWFP Joplin to Marine Corp. Museum grounds).
- David and Patti reported on progress on Powell's Creek Greenway and Crossing. He showed three charts (attached) that mapped the Greenway from Minnieville Manor Park to Lake Montclair (North Powell's Greenway), Northgate Drive to US 1 (South Powell's Greenway) and from US 1 to the Potomac River (Powell's Landing). Issues mentioned included a missing park in the north section, how to cross Spriggs Road, using trail land on the Four Seasons side of the creek and other potentially needed easements.

- Inform Studios, the contractor hired for the Powell’s Creek Crossing near the Potomac River, continues in the data collection mode. A stakeholder meeting with T&BC is currently planned for Friday, April 22nd at 10 AM. Hopefully, this will include some initial concepts to discuss.
- David is doing a lot of ground truthing as part of his work. Anybody from the T&BC that would like to join him in any outings should contact him.
- Patti responded to a question about the ECO Park Trail saying it was up to the Public Works group to move forward.

PWC Transportation. Bryce Barrett

- Bryce described Bike-to-Work Day on May 17th. There are nine pit stops in Prince William County and he will be captaining the Manassas VRE station pit stop. To encourage more ridership, PWC is giving away a bike to one county participant.
- In response to a question, Bryce said there was no movement yet on adding additional PWC trails to the National Capital Trail Network.

PWC Planning. Yolanda Hipski

- Yolanda informed the T&BC and described three parcels that are part of a Strathmore rezoning application that could include between 1000 and 2000 units. They are still being submitted and accepted – she will share when fully submitted.
- Yolanda mentioned the CIP Budget process and that there was an upcoming planning meeting to pick up zoning ordinance changes at Beacon Hall from the Comprehensive Plan.
- She also described the two upcoming affordable housing meetings on April 3rd and 4th in the evening. Among the requirements for these is the need to be close to multimodal transportation, which includes needing trail connections.

Presentations/Reports.

Community Energy and Sustainability Master Plan, Giulia Manno

- Giulia, the PWC Director of the Office of Sustainability, described the history and content of the CESMP including contributions from commissions, task forces and working groups. Among the actors described in the plan are Car and Non-Car Owners. One of the 25 high priority actions that are part of the CSEMP is to Improve Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure and Enhance Connectivity. Her next task is to integrate the CESMP into the 2040 PWC Comprehensive Plan, which will include changes to the Mobility Section. See the attached slides for more detail.

Discovery ECO Trail Signage Feedback, Joe Marshall

- Joe described the sign at the entrance to the Landfill ECO trail located at the Landfill ballfields (see chart). He went over comments received on the signs. This sign represented a collaboration between PWC departments.

County-wide Trails Plan Discussion, Patti Pakkala

- Patti provided an update on their goal in the Mobility chapter to create a county-wide trails plan that inventories PWC trails. It will include an analysis of needs and she is looking for feedback on what information should be included. They are looking to show gaps in greenway trails, regional trail connections, key crossings and what is important. This will cover County Trails only, no HOA trails or Federal trails. They plan to include Blueways trails utilizing what Mike DePue has shown. They want to highlight both old and new population centers and what is

important to each. T&BC members should email Patti and David with ideas. Catherine mentioned that other states use other items.

Organization Representatives' Time

Greater Prince William Trails Coalition (GPWTC). Eileen Sheridan, Chair, Neil Nelson, Secretary

- The Quarterly Meeting will take place on Thursday, April 25th at 10 AM at the GMU Science Center in Belmont Bay.
- The First Friday Hike will be on April 5th on some Bristow Historical Land.

Prince William Trails & Streams Coalition (PWTSC). Neil Nelson

- The Neabsco Cleanup had over 80 people participate collecting 197 bags of trash, 43 tires and other assorted items.
- The Marumsc Cleanup will take place on April 6th.

Mid Atlantic Off-Road Enthusiasts (MORE). Jason Williams, Rich Wilson

- Jason reported on a recent SMORES ride at Andrew Leitch Park that included 12 children participating.
- Jason showed a swampy section of a trail without a boardwalk that they recently put down 20 tons of rock supplied by the Parks Department. They plan to finish this section with some crushed rock.
- Jason showed some pictures of a bridge in the southwest corner of Locust Shade Park damaged by a recent brush fire. MORE plans to create a project to replace this bridge.

Trails Keepers. Catherine O'Connor

- They shored up the Merrimac Farm Trail for the Merrimac Farms Bluebell Festival April 7th.
- They have a trail trash cleanup scheduled for April 20th.

Members' Time:

- Amy:
 - Amy welcomed William, the new Potomac District Representative.
- Bill:
 - Bill asked about how to quantify the health and environmental benefits of trails.
- Catherine:
 - No comments.
- David:
 - Not present.
- Duane:
 - Not present.
- Eileen:
 - Not present.
- Jason:
 - Jason described the Birchdale Pedestrian dedication last week.
 - He also announced the Cloverdale rededication on April 10th.
- Joe:
 - Joe will attach the latest status of our goals planning worksheet to the minutes. See attached.
- Liz:

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- Liz reminded everyone about the NVRC training on March 29th for anyone who wanted to help mark the existing PHNST amenities and signs.
- Lynda:
 - Lynda reported that the Neabsco cleanup was impressive and fun.
- Mike:
 - Mike thanked staff on their presentations on trails.
- Neil:
 - No comments.
- Rich:
 - No comments.
- Steven:
 - Steven mentioned the Braemar outing.
- Bill S.:
 - Bill stated he was pleased to be joining the T&BC. He has been in PWC for 20 years.

Meeting Recap:

- None

Next meeting agenda items:

- April meeting agenda items should be forwarded to Liz, Amy, or Joe by April 11th.

Next meetings:

- At Hellwig: Full T&BC – April 23rd at 6:30 PM.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:57 PM based on motion by Lynda, seconded by Mike.

MOTION: Lynda Silverstrand

**March 26, 2024
Regular Meeting**

SECOND: Amy Latalladi-Fulton

Res. No. 24-5

**RE: APPROVE DAVID BRICKLEY'S REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE
REMOTELY THROUGH ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION MEANS**

ACTION:

WHEREAS, the Prince William County Trails and Blueways Council adopted a policy pursuant to Section 2.2-3708.2, VA Code Ann., to allow for remote participation by Members of the Council, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Council's policy, David Brickley notified the Chair that they (the member) are requesting permission from the Council to electronically participate at the Council's March 26, 2024 Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the member certified (Check A or B);

- A. _____ the Member is unable to attend the meeting due to (i) a temporary or permanent disability or other medical condition that prevents the Member's physical attendance or (ii) a family member's medical condition that requires the member to provide care for such family member, thereby preventing the member's physical attendance; OR
- B. X the Member is unable to attend the meeting due to the following specifically identified personal matter: David is out of the country,

AND the Member has not already participated electronically due to a personal reason in excess of two meetings this calendar year or 25 percent of the meetings held per calendar year rounded up to the next whole number, whichever is greater; and

WHEREAS, the remote location from which the Member plans to electronically participate is his residence; and this remote location will/will not (*underline one*) be open to the public; and

WHEREAS the Member verifies that the Member's participation in any closed session of the meeting shall remain confidential and not be disclosed to any unauthorized persons or entities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Council's policy, a request for electronic participation from a remote location shall be approved unless participation violates the Council's policy or any provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Prince William County Trails and Blueways Council does approve the request to participate in the meeting through electronic communication means in accordance with the Council's policy; a quorum of the Council was physically assembled at one primary or central meeting location; and arrangements were made for the voice of the Member to be heard by all persons at the primary or central meeting location.

Votes:

Ayes: 10

Nays: 0

Absent from Vote: 0

Absent from Meeting: 4

SIGNED:



Prince William Trails and Blueways Council chair

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MOTION: Amy Latalladi-Fulton

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SECOND: Lynda Silverstrand

Res. No. 24-6

RE: FUNDING IN THE FY25 BUDGET FOR TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS

ACTION:

WHEREAS: The most recent Parks Facilities Needs Assessment (2019) identified trails as the public's most desired recreational facility and water access points as the public's 2nd most desired facility; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Parks and Recreation has identified trail and water access projects that are already designed and permitted, which means that in addition to having a certain amount of funding invested in them, they have already been vetted and approved as necessary and desirable facilities; and

WHEREAS, Because of rising construction costs and possible permit requirement changes, delaying the construction of these facilities will likely increase the amount of funding needed to complete them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Trails and Blueways Council recommends that the County's FY2025 budget include \$6,381,814 to ensure that the County is able to efficiently provide trails and blueways access points for the following projects:

PHNST – Neabsco Creek Wetland Preserve Boardwalk - \$4,020,814 – Shovel-ready
Neabsco Creek ADA Parking to Boardwalk - \$111,000 – Shovel-ready
Lake Ridge Marina Dock Replacement - \$2,000,000 – Design complete
Neabsco Creek Kayak Launch - \$ 250,000 – Shovel-ready

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Trails and Blueways Council recommends that the County's FY2025 budget include increased funding for trails maintenance in the amount of \$250,000 to ensure adequate support for the 60+ miles of trails currently in the County's trails system.

Votes:

Ayes: 11

Nays: 0

Abstains: 1

Absent from Vote (virtual only): 0

Absent from Meeting: 4

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SIGNED: Elizabeth Cronauer
Prince William Trails and Blueways Council chair

POWELL'S CREEK GREENWAY OVERVIEW

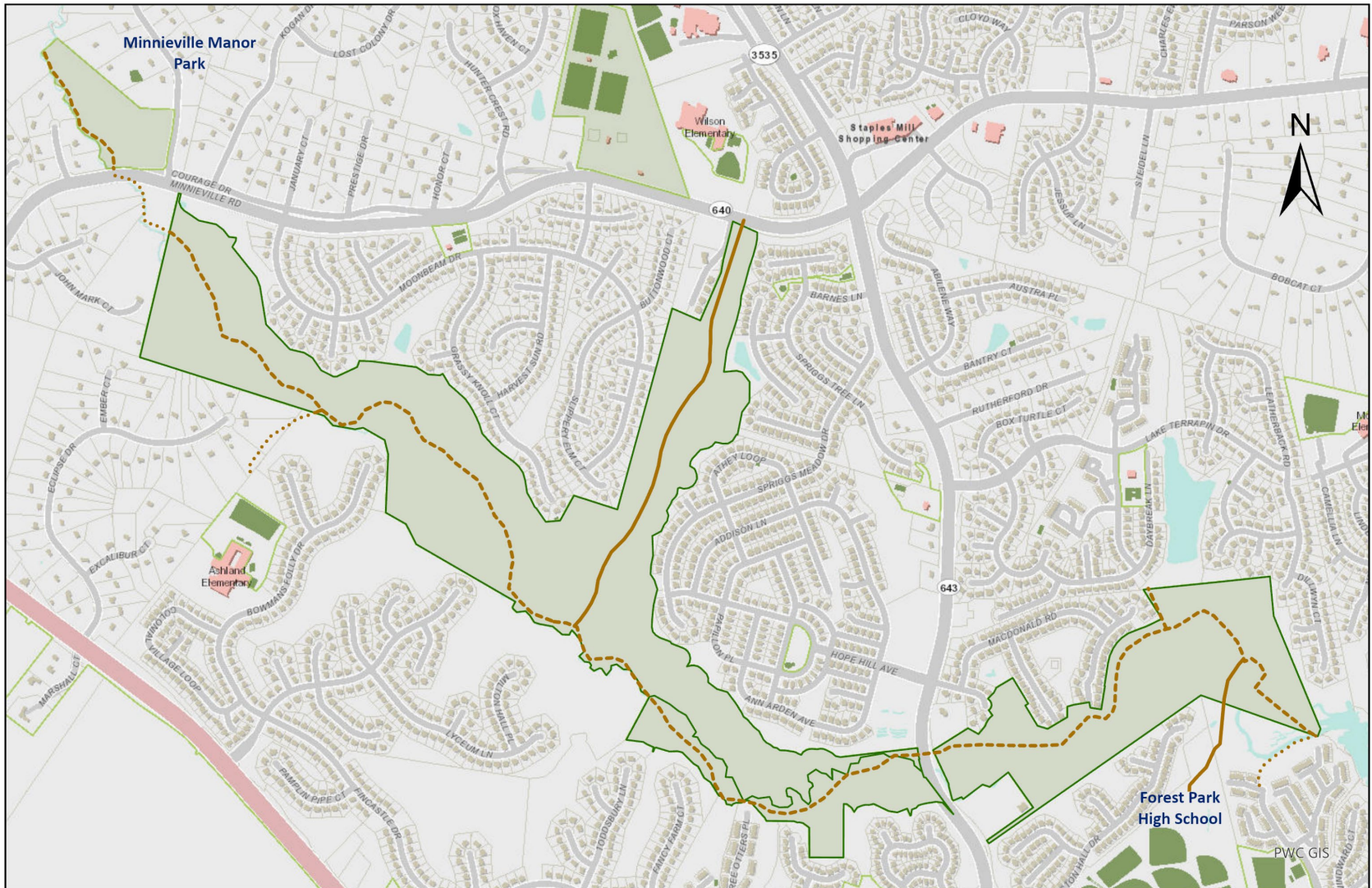
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Parks & Recreation

Powell's North

Minnieville Manor Park to Forest Park High School



Prepared by the PWC Department of Parks, Recreation, & Tourism
George Hellwig Memorial Park Administrative Offices
14420 Bristow Road
Manassas, VA 20112
Phone: 703-792-7060
Fax: 703-792-4278

- Existing Trail (1.0 Miles)
- Planned Trail (3.24 Miles)
- Proposed Trail (4.6 Miles)

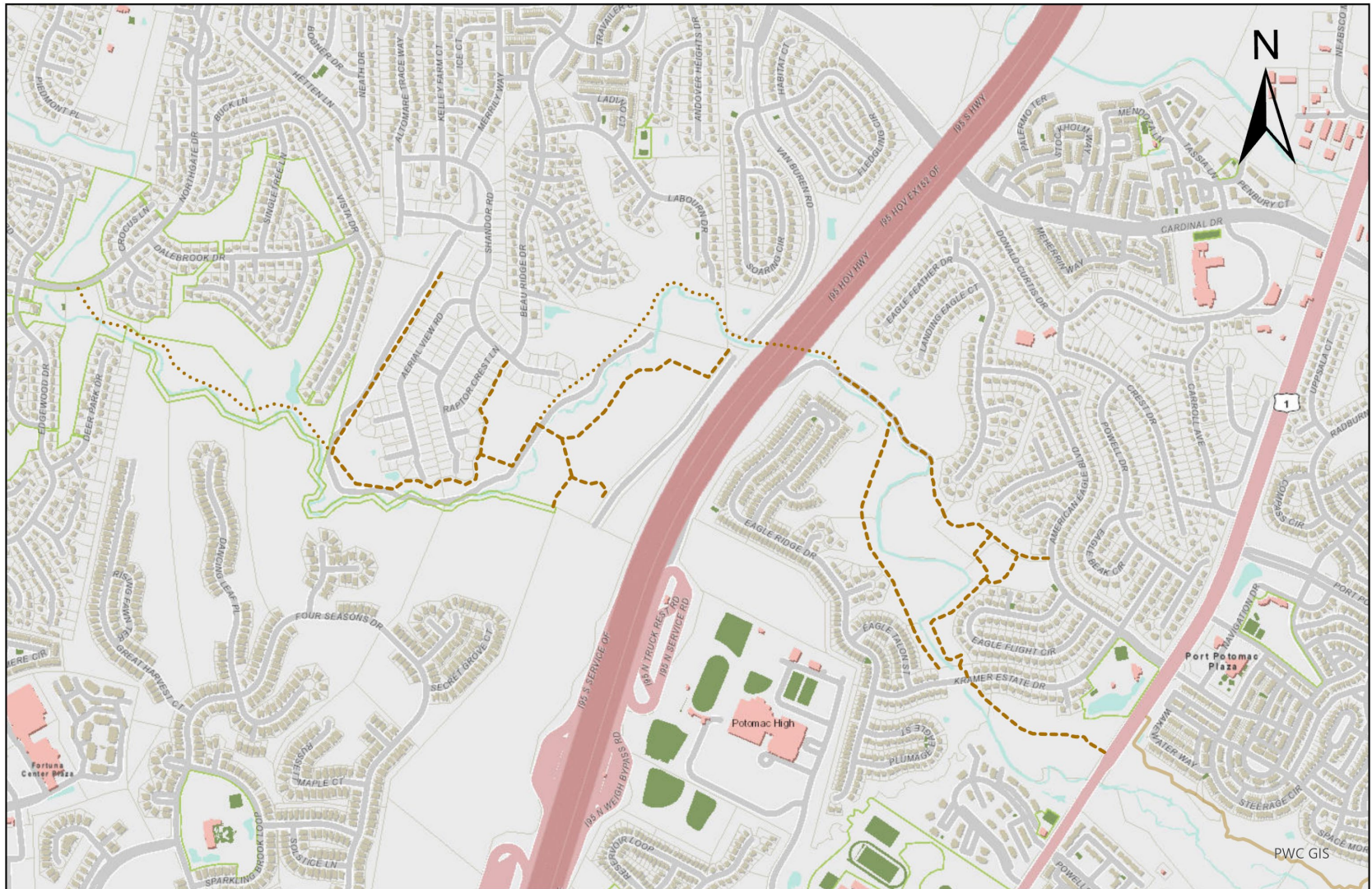
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Parks & Recreation

Powell's South

Northgate Drive to Route 1



Prepared by the PWC Department of Parks, Recreation, & Tourism
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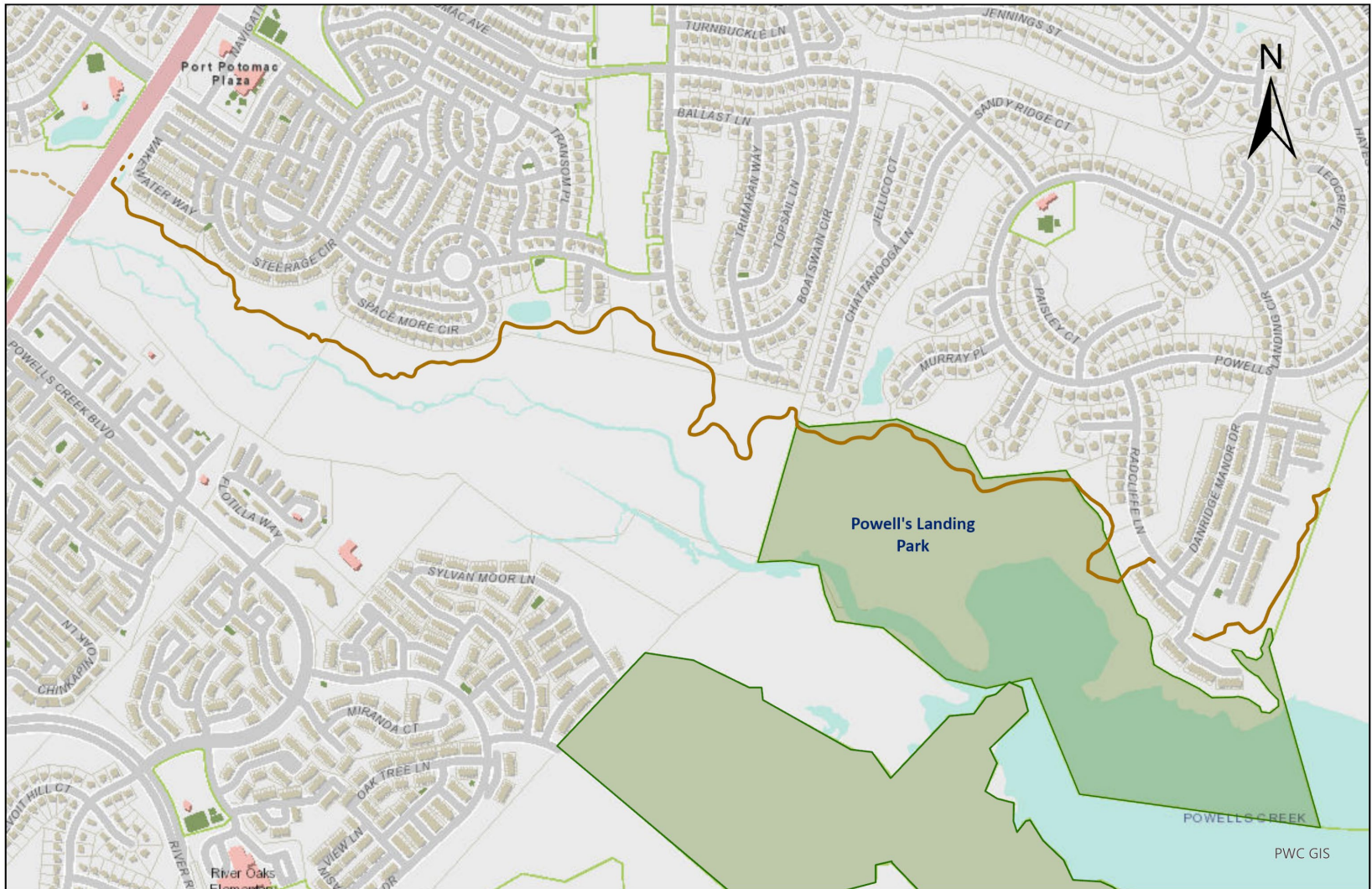
- Planned Trail (3.3 Miles)
- Proposed (1.25 Miles)

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Parks & Recreation

Powell's Landing Route 1 to Leesylvania State Park



Prepared by the PWC Department of Parks, Recreation, & Tourism
George Hellwig Memorial Park Administrative Offices
14420 Bristow Road
Manassas, VA 20112
Phone: 703-792-7060
Fax: 703-792-4278

— Existing Trail (2.2 Miles)
- - - Planned Trail (.1 Miles)

0 500 1,000 US Feet

FREE EVENT

BIKE TO WORK DAY FRIDAY MAY 17, 2024



50 YEARS 1974-2024
COMMUTER CONNECTIONS.
A SMARTER WAY TO WORK

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WASHINGTON AREA
BICYCLIST ASSOCIATION

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Bike Arlington

TERRAPIN BICYCLES

AL's Bike Shop

BICYCLE SPACE

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION
OF STATE HIGHWAY AND
TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS
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OF TRANSPORTATION

VDOT
Virginia Department of Transportation

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Alexandria, VA

Prince George's County
Department of Public Works & Transportation

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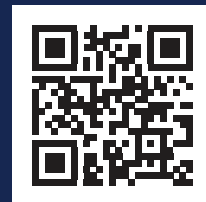
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Pit stops in D.C., Maryland, and Virginia!

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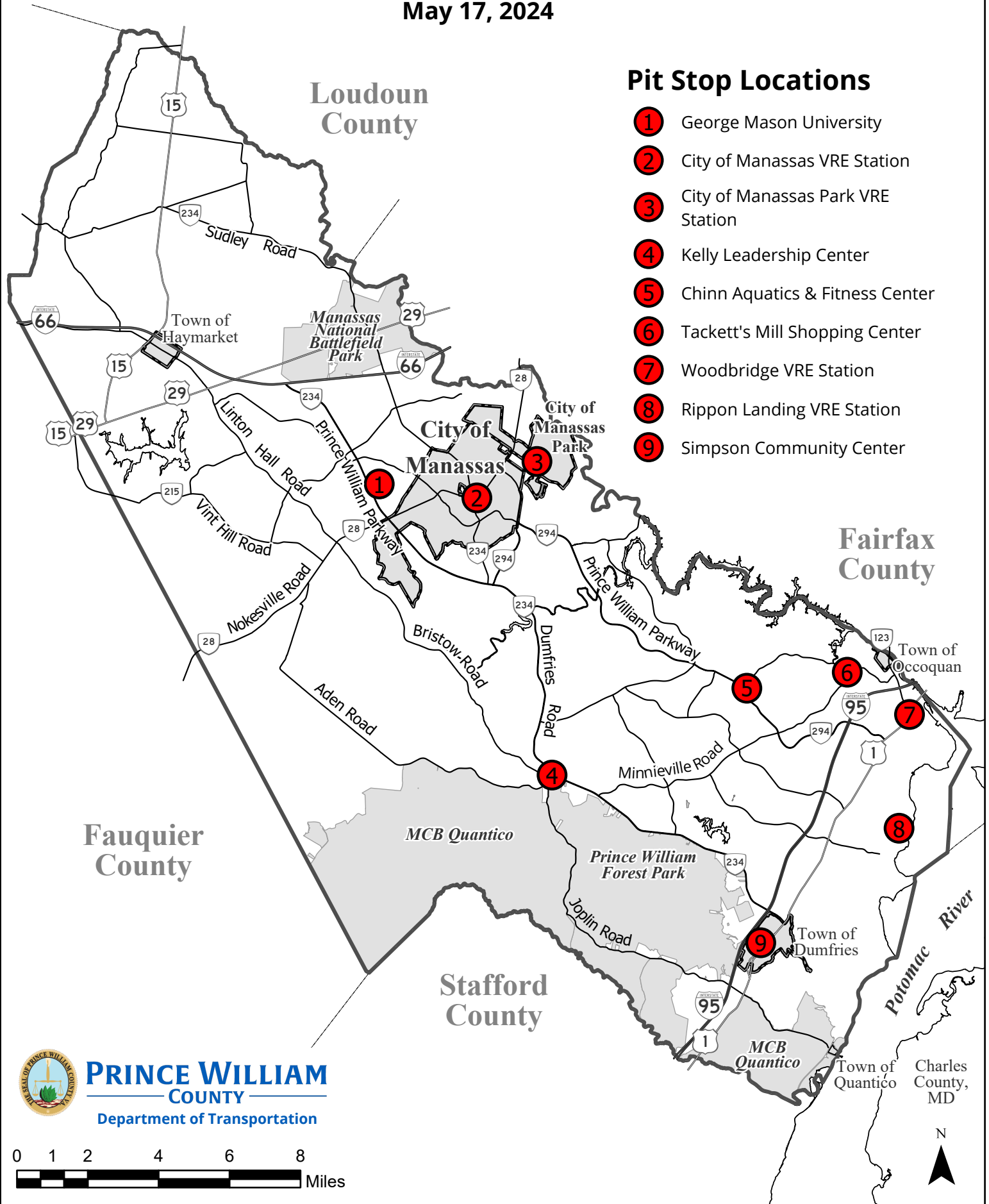
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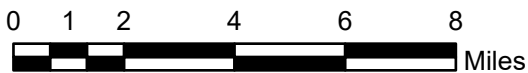
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Pit Stop Locations

- ① George Mason University
- ② City of Manassas VRE Station
- ③ City of Manassas Park VRE Station
- ④ Kelly Leadership Center
- ⑤ Chinn Aquatics & Fitness Center
- ⑥ Tackett's Mill Shopping Center
- ⑦ Woodbridge VRE Station
- ⑧ Rippon Landing VRE Station
- ⑨ Simpson Community Center



PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY
Department of Transportation





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Prince William Community Energy and Sustainability Master Plan

Trails and Blueways Council
March 26, 2024

BOCS endorsed the following Climate Mitigation and Resiliency goals (Res. No. 20-773):



Reduce county-wide greenhouse gas emissions by 50% from a 2005 baseline by 2030



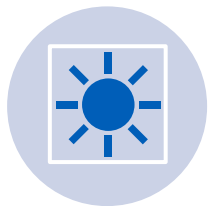
Procure 100% renewable electricity for county government operations by 2030



Achieve 100% renewable electricity countywide by 2035



Achieve carbon neutrality for county government operations by 2050



Develop climate resilient actions to move towards being a Climate Ready Region by 2030

Developing Community Energy and Sustainability Master Plan (CESMP)

- Resolution reinforced need to incorporate equity principles and environmental justice into a Community Energy and Sustainability Master Plan (CESMP) and Comprehensive Plan
- County already had well established environmental programs and initiatives.
- Sustainability action strategies already in the Comprehensive Plan and Strategic Plan
- Needed a centralized strategic approach for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and addressing climate resiliency
- Office of Sustainability established and authorized to develop a Community Energy and Sustainability Master Plan (CESMP)

CESMP Core Team



CESMP Stakeholder Engagement

- Sustainability Commission established as public advisory body for development of CESMP
- Joint Environmental Taskforce (JET) established for collaboration on sustainability between the county and schools

Public Engagement



Online Survey on Actions



May Virtual Townhall



Online Feedback on Draft



September Virtual Townhall

Community Engagement - Workgroups

Buildings and Decarbonization

- Building Trades – GPI Consulting Engineering
- Virginia Pace Authority
- Dominion
- Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative
- Prince William Service Authority
- Prince William Residential Solar Taskforce
- Prince William County Schools
- George Mason University VA Climate Center
- Northern Virginia Community College
- Data Center Coalition
- Citizen's Climate Lobby
- Prince William Commercial Development Committee
- Northern Virginia Building Industry Associations – Developer Rep
- Northern Virginia Building Industry Associations – Builder Rep

Transportation and Land Use

- Virginia Railway Express
- Potomac and Rappahannock Transportation Commission
- Lake Ridge Occoquan Coles Civic Association
- Woodbridge Potomac Communities Civic Association
- Mid County Civic Association of Prince William
- HOA Roundtable
- Prince William Conservation Alliance
- Active Transportation Groups – Biking
- Northern Virginia Regional Commission
- Trails and Blueways Council
- Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
- Prince William County Schools Transportation
- Prince William County Economic Development
- Northern Virginia Building Industry Associations

Climate Adaptation and Resiliency for Vulnerable Populations

- Virginians Organized for Interfaith Community Engagement
- Prince William County Schools Student Representative
- Community Partners in Equity and Inclusion
- Senior Citizen Advocacy
- Veteran's Commission
- Chesapeake Climate Action Network
- Institute for Public Health
- Tenants and Workers United
- Prince William Department of Social Services Rep for Homeless Populations

MWCOG 2018 Greenhouse Gas Inventory – Prince William County-Wide Emissions

Strategies to Reduce these Emissions:

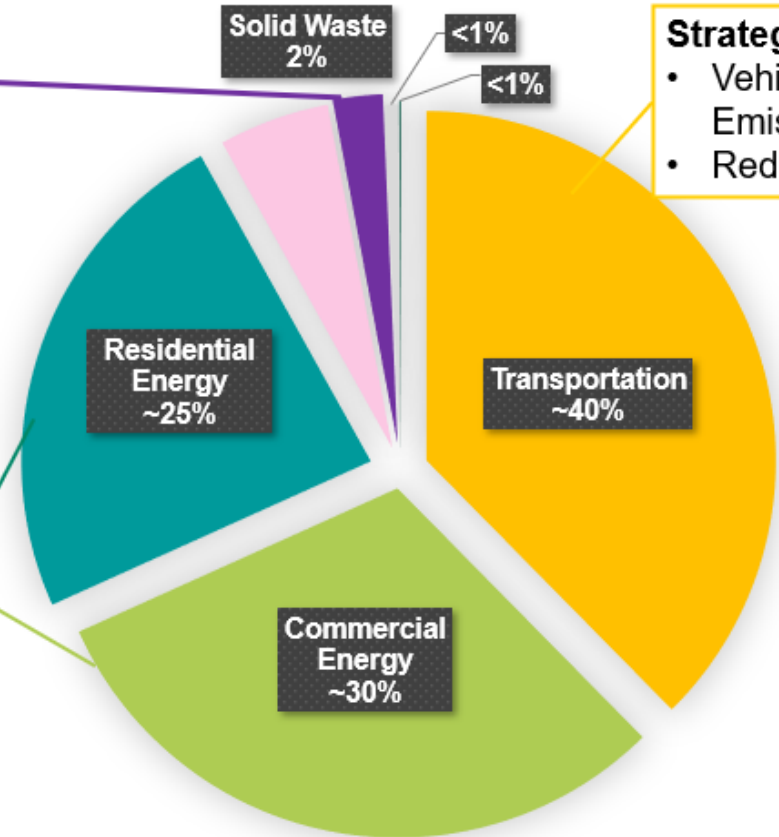
- Waste Diversion

Strategies to Reduce these Emissions:

- Vehicle Fuel Switching to Zero-Emission Vehicles
- Reducing Vehicle Miles Traveled

Strategies to Reduce these Emissions:

- Decarbonizing the Electric Grid
- Energy Efficient and Electric Buildings



- Emissions Sources**
- Transportation and Mobile Emissions
 - Commercial Energy
 - Residential Energy
 - Process and Fugitive Emissions
 - Solid Waste
 - Agriculture
 - Water and Wastewater

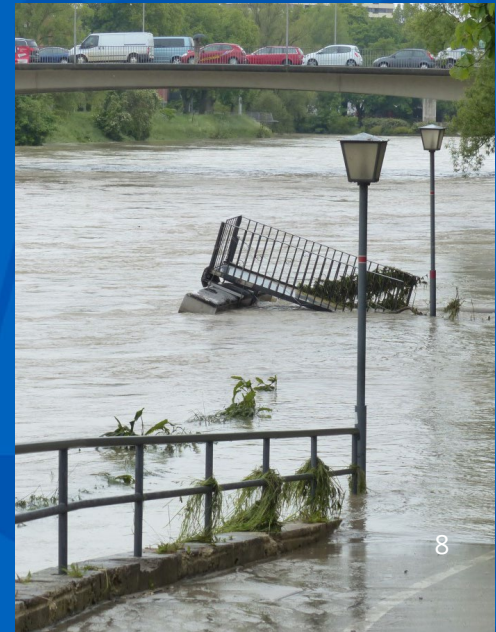
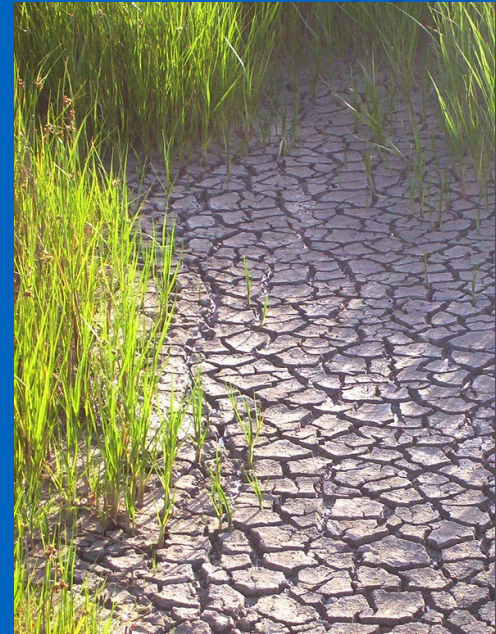
Climate Resiliency – Vulnerability Assessment

Biggest Climate Hazards:

- Extreme Temperature (hot and cold)
- Precipitation (flooding)

Most Vulnerable Assets:

- Socially Vulnerable Populations (according to equity emphasis areas defined by MWCOG)
- Transportation Infrastructure
- Natural Resources



High Priority Actions - Transportation

CESMP High Priority Actions

T.1: Improve Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure and Enhance Connectivity

T.2: Encourage Transit-Oriented Development

T.3: Expand Existing Programs that Reduce Single-Occupancy Vehicle Trips

T.4: Upgrade Public Transit Infrastructure

T.5: Encourage Zero-Emission Vehicles and Charging

T.6: Expand Public EV Charging Network

T.7: Adopt Zero- or Low-Emissions County Fleet

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Non-Car Owner

I live in Prince William County and I don't own a car, so public transportation, biking, and walking are my primary methods of transportation for commuting, shopping, and recreational activities.

The implementation of the CESMP's action T.1 would ensure that I can safely access these places by foot or bike. Actions T.2, T.3, and T.4 would improve public transportation infrastructure, encourage transit-oriented development, and improve alternative commuting options, allowing me to continue to live car-free in the county.

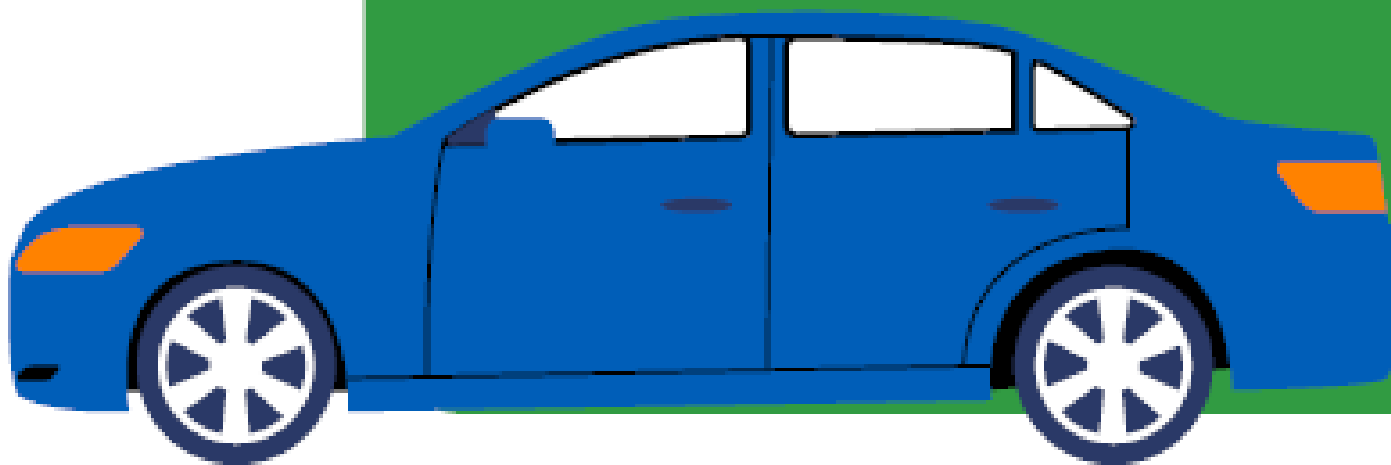


According to U.S. Census Data, 1.8% of workers in the county do not have a vehicle available. 2.8% of workers commute using public transportation, walking, or biking.

7 Car Owner

I live in Prince William County and I own a car that I use to commute to work. The implementation of the CESMP's actions T.1 through T.4 would help me reduce my personal vehicle use by making public transportation, walking, and biking more accessible.

These actions may even help completely reduce my need to own a car! Additionally, actions T.5 and T.6 would encourage me to make the jump to a zero-emission vehicle by providing electric vehicle incentives and public charging options. These actions will help reduce my annual transportation costs, vehicle ownership costs, and personal emissions.



Next Steps

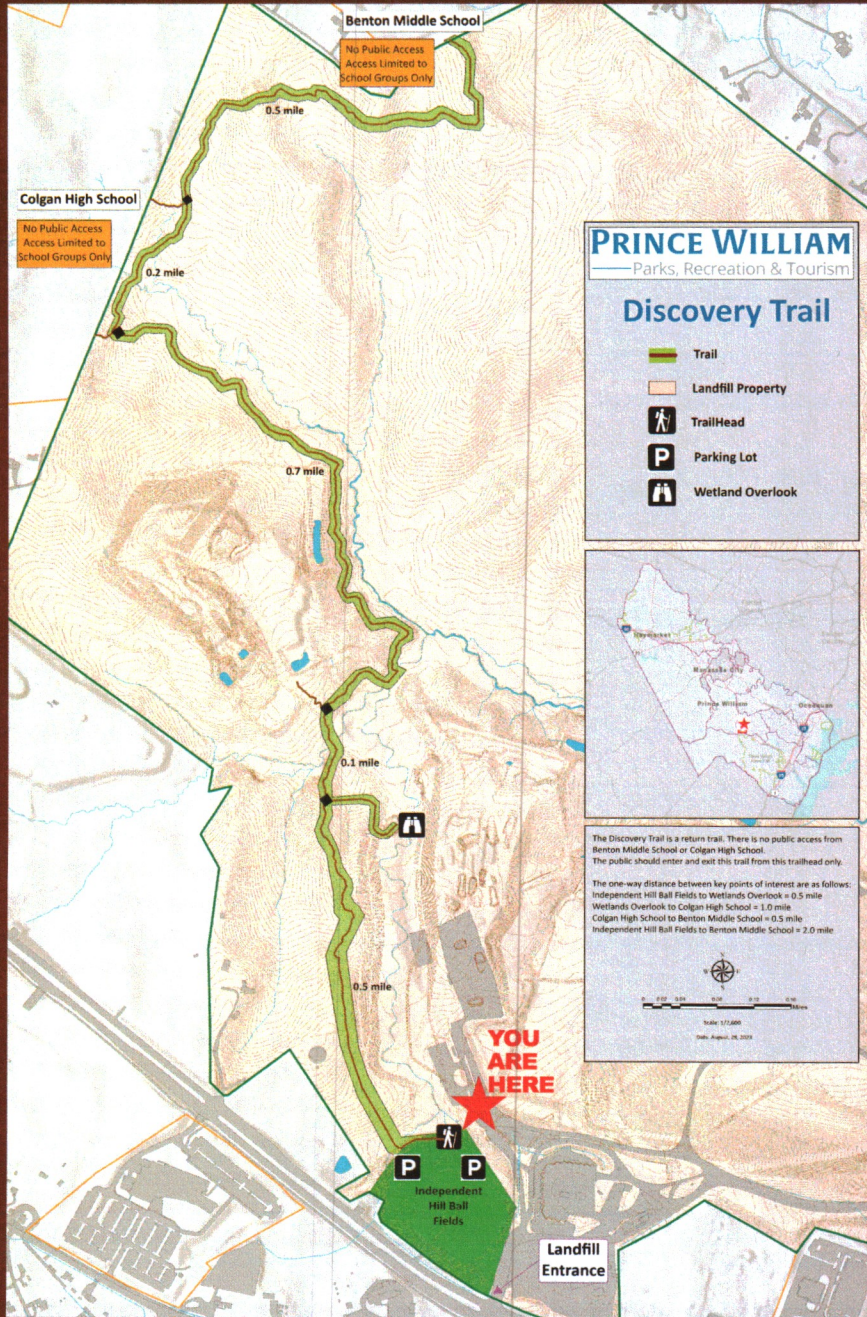
- CESMP adopted by the Board on October 24, 2023
- Integrate CESMP into Comprehensive Plan through Comprehensive Plan Amendment (Res. No. 20-773)
- Develop system for tracking climate mitigation and climate resiliency metrics in the county
- Collaboration between agencies and the community for implementation of actions
- Pursuing grant opportunities and opportunities for regional collaboration

Questions? Please reach out!

Giulia Manno
Director, Office of Sustainability
gmanno@pwcgov.org



Discovery Trail Information



Trail Users

This trail is designed for hiking and biking.
 NO horseback riding or motorized vehicles permitted.



Trail Etiquette 101

Share the Trail



- Be courteous and say hello!
- Go slow - and stay alert!
- Play it safe! Leave the earbuds at home

Leave Only Footprints. Take Only Pictures.



- Pack out what you pack in
- Dispose of your waste properly (including pet waste)

Be a Good Trail Steward



- Do not use trails when wet
- Stay on trail to protect local flora and fauna
- Pets must be on a leash at all times

Keep Wildlife Wild



- Please don't feed or approach the wildlife

Know Your Right-of-Way



- Bikers yield to hikers

Contacts

Ranger On Duty: (703) 792-8889

Emergency: 911

For emergency vehicles this trailhead address is:
 Independent Hill Ball Fields at PWC Landfill
 14811 Dumfries Road, Manassas, VA 20112

Learn more about PWC parks and trails at pwcva.gov/parks



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Parks, Recreation & Tourism

Trails and Blueways Council

2024 Proposed Work Plan / Monthly Meeting Targets

WHEN	GOAL	WHAT	WHO	STATUS	COMMENT
January 16	5	FLAP Grant Gap Analysis Project budget & appropriation (ABA) goes to BOCS for approval	Parks staff	C - 1/16/2024	Approved
January 23	5	Powell's Creek Crossing initial meeting with consultants	TBC	C - 1/23/2024	Telecon Held
January 23	16	Discuss and form TBC subcommittee if necessary to explore communication plan/process that will keep Supervisors informed and updated (report due in February)	TBC	C - 1/23/2024	Eileen took lead
	2	East Coast Greenway – Elliott Caldwell	ECG	C- 1/23/2024	Elliott Introduced
February 27	5	Resolution about routing trail under I-95 and US 1 on section from Occoquan to Belmont Bay	TBC, David	C-2/27/2024	Resolution 24-4 written and approved
February 27	9	Presentation of Catharpin Greenway alignment, gaps, and next steps	David, Patti	C- 2/27/2024	Presented at TBC Meeting
February 16	11	TBC Participate in or provide feedback to Yorkshire TLC Shareholder meetings	Liz, Catherine	C-2/16/2024	Further meetings in March
February 27	16	Finish item on supervisor communication from January	TBC, Eileen	C-2/27/2024	Presented at TBC Meeting
March 26	1	Start discussion to set the stage for the county-wide trails plan update – what should be in the plan and how TBC can most effectively support and participate in the process. Identify preparations in advance of start?	TBC and Parks Staff	C-3/26/2024	Initial Discussion at TBC 3/26 Meeting Members invited to provide feedback
March 26	5	Onboard FLAP grant gap analysis consultant; kickoff project	Parks Staff; PHNST subcommittee	C-3/26/2024	Initial Parks meeting with consultant in March. Scope discussed by Patti at 3/26 meeting
March 26	5	NVRC Data collection along PHNST	NVRC	C-3/28/2024	Virtual App Training completed 3/28
March 26	18	Consistent Signage	TBC	C-3/26/2024	ECO Trail Signage Format and Info discussed at 3/26 TBC Meeting

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April 23	1	Present a process for the development of a comprehensive, county-wide trails plan prescribed in the PWC Comprehensive Plan to include what, who, how, and when (proposed process will determine additions to the work plan)	Planning, Transportation, and Parks Staff		Present update at April meeting
April 23	2	NCTN Map Item – Define input process for Spring updates	Bryce and Liz?		Discuss at April meeting
April 23	5	NVRC Data collection along PHNST	NVRC	Training complete	Assignments in early April Inputs due by June 1
April 5	7	Presentation of Broad Run Greenway alignment, gaps, and next steps	Parks Staff	working	Hike on historical county-owned property on 4/5
April 22	5	Powell’s Creek Crossing Project stakeholder meetings with contractor including design concepts	TBC / PHNST Subcommittee		TBC meeting with contractor 4/22
April 23	9	PATC presentation on the AT to Manassas Battlefield connection; possibly a resolution to formalize an alignment at a future meeting	PATC		
March 26	10	Status of Discovery-ECO Trail for a Ribbon Cutting	Landfill Staff	Signs mounted Need to fix and mark utility highway trail breakage	Waiting on Public Works plan Potential help from Colgan HS Environmental Group
May	3	Volunteer program	Eugene Loew		
	3	Discussion among members regarding volunteer efforts and identify areas where volunteers could be used to build and maintain trail. Anticipate Greenway gap analysis by park staff.	TBC		
	2	Report on connections with groups to connect to (such as Fairfax and Loudoun Counties)	Planning, Transportation, and Parks Staff		
June	8	Presentation of Neabsco Greenway alignment, gaps, and next steps	Parks Staff		

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	5	FLAP Grant Gap Analysis Project update	PHNST Subcommittee		
	18	Presentation of standardized and branded signage for trails	Parks Staff		
July	1	WORK SESSION? – collectively explore how we’re doing; iron out work plan changes for remainder of year; discuss volunteer opportunities discovered; “low-hanging fruit” that could be added to the county trail system without significant costs or effort; anything else that comes up	All		
August	9	Presentation of Catharpin Greenway alignment, gaps, and next steps	Parks Staff		
September	12	Blueways / Water access updates	Parks Staff / Mike DePue		
October	10	Presentation of Powell’s Creek Greenway alignment, gaps, next steps	Parks Staff		
November	11	Presentation of Bull Run Loop Trail alignment, gaps, next steps	Parks Staff		
	4	Capital Improvement Planning and Advocacy; Initial presentation of department priorities	Planning, Transportation, and Parks Staff		
December	4	Capital Improvement Planning and Advocacy; Part 2 – making the list of items by District	Planning, Transportation, and Parks Staff		
INSERT WHEN APPROPRIATE	14	Ribbon cuttings in each district			

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	10	Powell’s Creek Crossing milestones			
	5	FLAP Grant Gap Analysis Project milestones; then, taking the FLAP grant data, establishing a map for prioritization of currently unfunded gaps for construction (July work session??)			
	6	Occoquan Greenway updates			
	19	Dove’s Landing Design - updates/input opportunities			
	1	Trail and water access opportunities associated with development applications and road projects			

2024 Trails and Blueways Proposed Goals

1. Explore, collect, and warehouse information about existing community trails and other “low-hanging fruit” that could be added to the county trail system without significant costs or effort. Find ways to utilize volunteers to make some of these realities. (A comprehensive county-wide trails plan, unconstrained)
2. Interface with other groups to connect our trails and planned trails to Fairfax County, Stafford County, Loudoun County, and the National Capital Region.
3. Encourage volunteer efforts for maintaining more PWC trails using new PWC approved methodology.
4. Support and encourage PWC CIP additions for trails outside of bonds and additional trail maintenance funds.
5. Finish arranging plans and approaches for gaps in PHNST. Establish a traceable schedule to track in future years completing in 2031.
6. Encourage and track changes and updates to the Occoquan Greenway culminating in completion of this route from McCoart to Occoquan in 2025.
7. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Broad Run Greenway.
8. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Neabsco Creek Greenway.
9. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Catharpin Creek Greenway.
10. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of the Powells Creek Greenway.
11. Inventory and identify gaps and approaches toward completion of a Bull Run Loop trail in concert with Fairfax County.
12. Develop maps, plans, and approaches for one or more blueways in the county.
13. Develop two prioritized lists for each district of recreational trails and bike/pedestrian trails. Get buy-in from each district’s supervisor for the list.
14. Encourage at least one trails or blueways ribbon cutting in each district.
15. Publicity / awareness of the TBC and its work
16. Communication plan to keep Supervisors updated - formalize
17. Get more representation from the Potomac District especially since the potential for a park at cockpit point is coming closer
18. More signage / standardized signage
19. Boat launch at Sinclair Mill site (with different language)

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Work Session Notes

April 5, 2024, at 10:00am

Future Bristow Battlefield

11059 Bristow Road, Brentsville

- 1. Call to Order** – Neil Nelson, Joe Marshall, Liz Cronauer, and Steve Cover were present. Staff present – Janet Bartnik, David Kroeger, Rob Orrison, and Kevin Pawlak.
- 2. Bristow Future Battlefield Site Visit** – Historic Preservation staff provided a tour of property owned by the American Battlefield Trust that is being considered for donation to Prince William County. The staff provided management and maintenance information as well as historic interpretation information for the site.
- 3. Adjourn**