

# CITY OF DUBLIN

## TRAIL ACCESS & CONNECTIVITY STUDY

### Overview

The City of Dublin requested MORPC technical assistance to identify potential connections from the existing shared-use path network within Dublin to the Heritage, Scioto, and Olentangy trails, as well as neighboring jurisdictions' bike networks. An opportunities assessment was conducted to identify potential options that were then analyzed through a data-driven process and reviewed with key stakeholders to help inform future priorities.

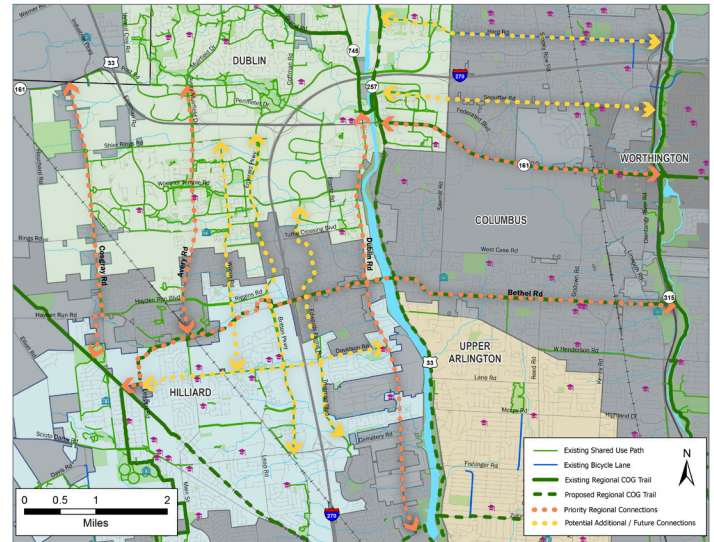
### Services Provided

MORPC worked closely with City of Dublin staff to document existing conditions, compile all currently planned and funded projects that will fill key network gaps, and identify opportunities for additional connections. MORPC also developed a spreadsheet-based alternatives analysis tool that scored and ranked all identified opportunities according to a wide range of data factors. Stakeholders were then engaged through a process that included two workshops and one site visit to discuss feasibility and general desirability of the various opportunities.

### Program Deliverables

In collaboration with City of Dublin staff, MORPC developed the following resources:

- » An *Alternatives Analysis Workbook* containing the analysis of 18 potential connections, including factors such as safety and comfort, demographics and equity, and connectivity to destinations.
- » A *Documentation and Implementation Plan* highlighting priority regional trail connections as well as secondary opportunities for more local connections, including options that require multi-jurisdictional collaboration. The plan also documents key information regarding each identified route, including any existing plans, results of the analysis, stakeholder input, and potential next steps.



*Opportunities identified for potential network connections*

### Community Implementation

The City of Dublin joined the Franklin County Engineer's Office, City of Columbus, and City of Hilliard on an application for the 2022-2023 cycle of MORPC Attributable Funding to construct a shared-use path on Dublin Road from the Quarry Trails Metro Park to the existing shared-use path on Dublin Road in Dublin jurisdiction. Additionally, MORPC and the City of Dublin are launching a Northwest Area Trail Partnership, in which representatives from each of the jurisdictions in the Northwest Area will continue to meet to coordinate on trail and trail access planning, funding, and implementation going forward.

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