

CITY OF SUNBURY TRAIL ACCESS & CONNECTIVITY STUDY

Overview

The City of Sunbury requested MORPC technical assistance to identify opportunities to bridge the gaps in the Ohio-to-Erie (OTE) Trail and better connect Sunbury neighborhoods to the OTE Trail. Opportunities assessments and recommendations aligned with an analysis of the existing network and concurrent activities, including the Fallen Heroes Trail, new residential developments around the City, and the future Sunbury Parkway I-71 interchange.

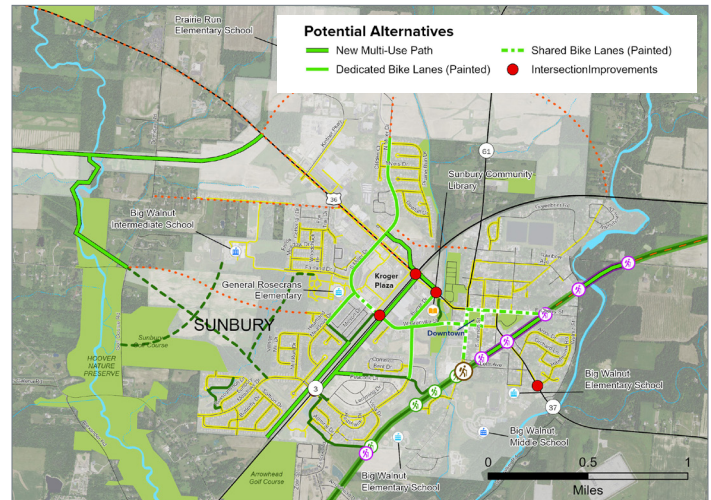
Services Provided

To identify priority connections and projects for improving trail access and connectivity, MORPC worked with the City of Sunbury to document existing conditions, compile all concurrent plans and development activities, and identify opportunities for further assessment. Stakeholders were then engaged through a process that included two workshops and one site visit. MORPC also analyzed the City's existing and proposed active transportation network and identified opportunities to improve access to the OTE Trail, including roadway improvements, crossing and intersection enhancements, and new trail connections.

Program Deliverables

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

- » *An Existing Conditions Report* documenting the existing multi-use path and sidewalk networks and their levels of connectivity.
- » *A Documentation and Implementation Plan* that summarizes priority connections for improving the City of Sunbury active transportation network and access to the OTE Trail. The Plan documents the analysis that was conducted to identify potential network improvements, as well as the stakeholder engagement that further informed proposed priorities and projects.



Potential Network Improvements for Bicycling Access to OTE

- » *The Documentation and Implementation Plan* also establishes recommendations for next steps, including specific implementation projects and corresponding funding opportunities and timelines.

Community Implementation

The *Documentation and Implementation Plan* will be presented to City Council as a connectivity plan to help guide the City's infrastructure improvements. The information will feed into the City's Capital Improvements Program and act as a reference to help guide pedestrian connectivity improvements in future developments.

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