









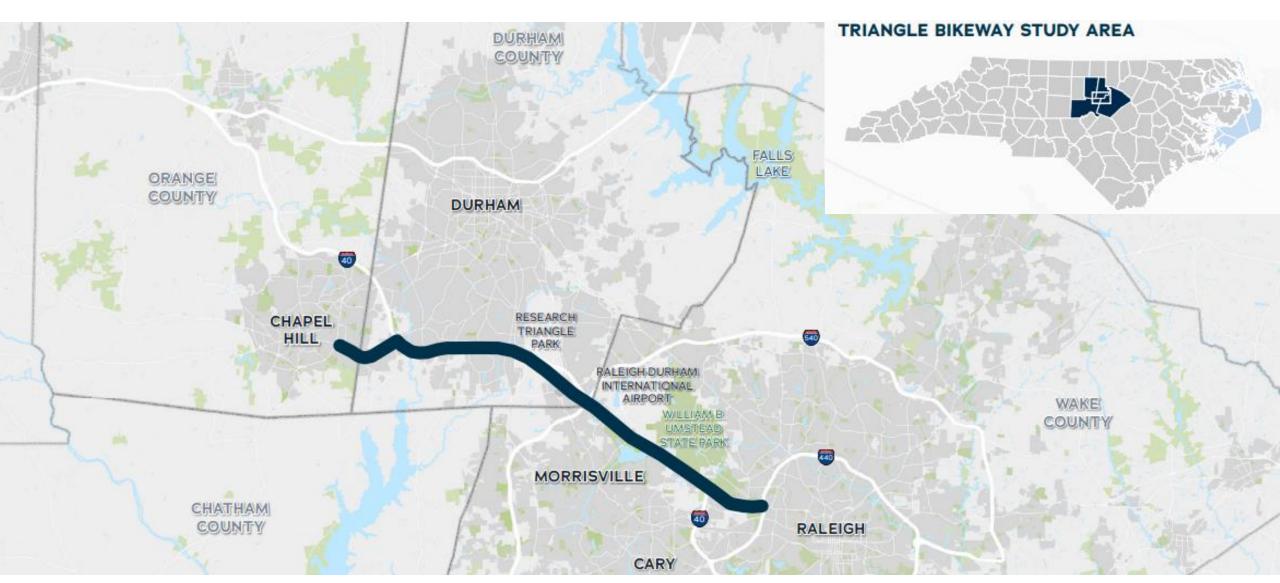






Study Area





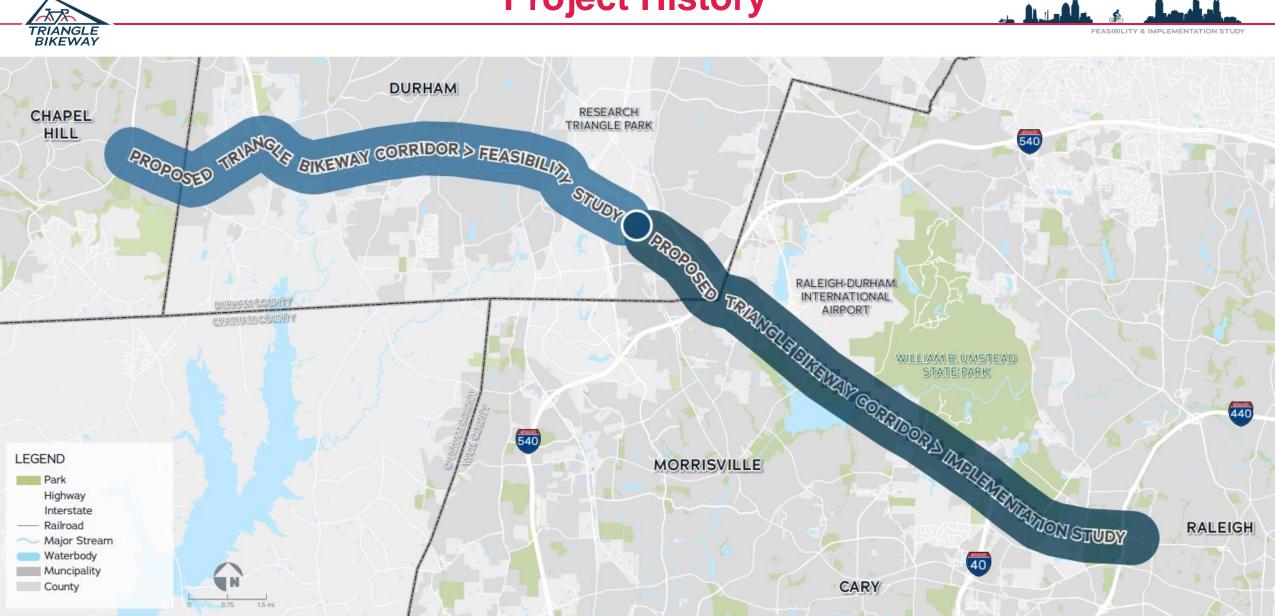
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Project History



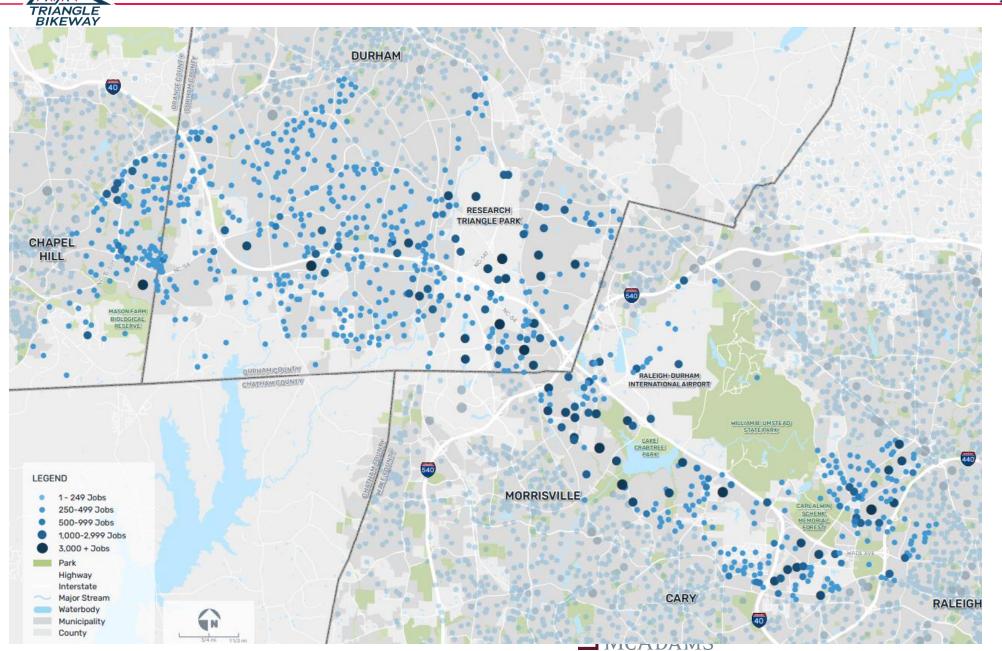


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"I am excited about this plan for a protected bike and pedestrian path that will tie together our region and create another transit and recreation option for **Triangle residents. Many** people want to get out of their vehicles and enjoy bike and pedestrian options for work or play. The vision of this Triangle Bikeway is to make this a reality,"

> ~Wendy Jacobs **Durham County Commissioner**

Project Evolution





FEASIBILITY & IMPLEMENTATION STUDY



The Triangle Bikeway Preliminary Feasibility Study evaluates the proposed bike path along I-40, connecting Research Triangle Park and Raleigh from Park Center to the NCMA. The proposed corridor is established to provide a direct connection between the existing bike and greenway systems in Durham, Cary, and Raleigh and to provide a more direct route for the East Coast Greenway through the Triangle.

The study outlines the following alignments along the corridor: connections to Comwallis

Rd bike lanes in Durham, Davis Dr shared use path, the existing and proposed shared use paths along NC-54 from Davis Dr and Miami Blvd, the proposed bike lanes along Slater Rd shared use paths proposed along Emperor Blvd and Slater Rd, routing alternatives north and south of I-40 from I-540 to Harrison Ave, and a proposed shared use path north of I-40 from Harrison Ave to Trenton Rd, connecting to the Reedy Creek Trail in Raleigh. The study also proposes intersection improvements for roadways along the corridor, I-40 trail crossings, and opportunities to connect to existing bicycle and pedestrian facilities along the corridor.

A proposal for an I-40 bikeway resurfaces again during the late-stages of plan development for the Wake County Greenways Plan when stakeholders expressed a need for improving regional greenway connectivity.

The proposed bike path along I-40 is first envisioned

during the planning process of the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO)

While stakeholders supported the idea, it is not

included in final plan recommendations.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.

The Triangle Bikeway project is proposed at a Triangle J Council of Governments board meeting and presented to bicycle and pedestrian advocates and practitioners for input at the annual NC Bike Walk Summit.

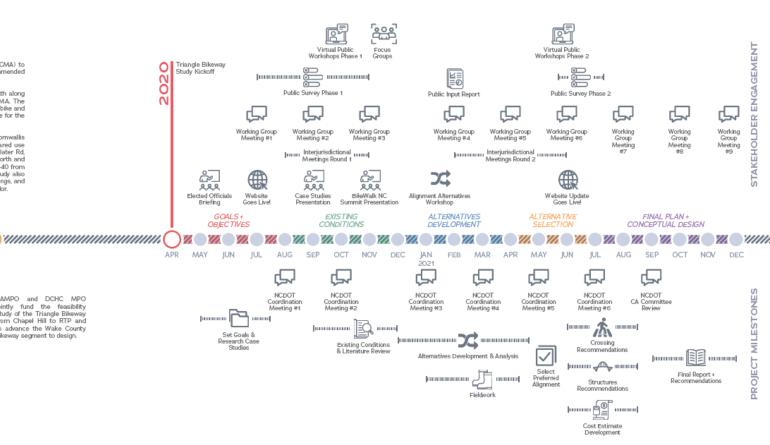
With support from elected officials, local governments, and advocates, CAMPO and Wake County fund an extension of the Wake County Greenways Master Plan to study the n feasibility of the Triangle Bikeway.

Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO) also begins to evaluate opportunities to improve bicycle and pedestrian connections between Chapel Hill, Durham, and Research Triangle Park.

As in Wake County, previous initiatives in the last two decades propose commuter alternatives to I-40 between Chapel Hill, South Durham, and RTP. However, it is not until May 2017 that DCHC MPO is able to include a proposed shared-used path along I-40 in the MPO's Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP).

In August 2017, the NCDOT Board of Transportation approve the CTP with the proposed I-40 bike path. At this time, Wake County officials invite the DCHC MPO Board to participate in a study to expand the Triangle Bikeway into a regional project that would include a bike path between Chapel Hill and Raleigh along NC-54 and I-40. The DCHC MPO Board includes the project in the MPO's 2018-2019 Work Plan.

CAMPO and DCHC MPO jointly fund the feasibility study of the Triangle Bikeway from Chapel Hill to RTP and to advance the Wake County bikeway segment to design.





CASE STUDIES



Case Studies



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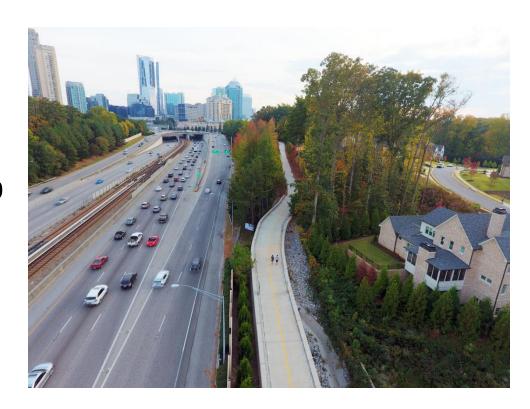
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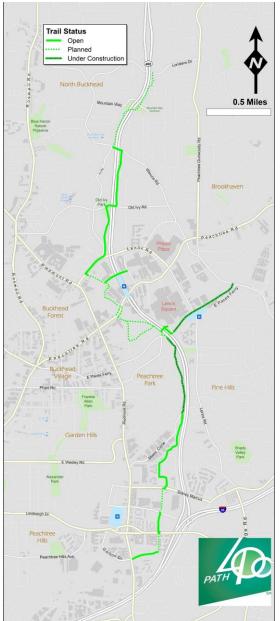




In 2011, public engagement, land acquisition, and data collection began. Key stakeholders include: Livable Buckhead, City of Atlanta, GDOT, Marta, and the PATH Foundation. Trail funding sources have included a local sales tax (TSPLOST), state funding and federal grants. The trail will soon extend north into Sandy Springs, connect to the Atlanta Beltline to the south and the Peachtree Creek Greenway to the southwest.

- Atlanta, Ga
- Trail length: 5.2 miles
- Construction timeline: 2014-2020
- Right of way: 66% in GDOT ROW
- Total cost: \$28 million







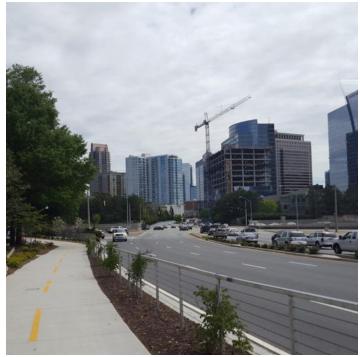
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US 36 Bikeway – Denver to Boulder



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US 36 Bikeway was part of a larger CDOT project to create bus rapid transit (BRT) service and tolled express lanes along the busy US 36 corridor. These investments were part of FasTracks, a multibillion-dollar public transportation expansion throughout metropolitan Denver. Additional funding sources included CDOT, FHWA, and Regional Transportation District (RTD). US 36 Bikeway is well used (an estimated 500 daily users) for commuting to work, accessing activity centers, local businesses, transit stations, and to the greater bike network in Denver metro region.

Metro Denver, CO

> Trail length: 18 miles

Construction timeline: 2015-2016

Right of way: 100% in CDOT ROW

Total cost: \$16.6 million







US 36 Bikeway – Denver to Boulder

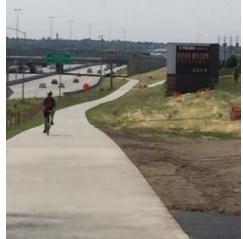


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Business 40 – Winston Salem



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Added on to the Business 40 Improvement Project, this side path will connect several neighborhoods and key destinations (e.g. baseball stadium, hospital, and commercial areas) in Downtown Winston-Salem. Key partners include the City of Winston-Salem, NCDOT, Downtown Winston-Salem Partnership, and Creative Corridors Coalition. Funding sources include several federal (CMAQ and STBG Programs), state (NCDOT's STI Prioritization), and local (bond referendums) sources. Once complete, the side path will connect to a growing network of bike facilities and 25 miles of greenways throughout the region.

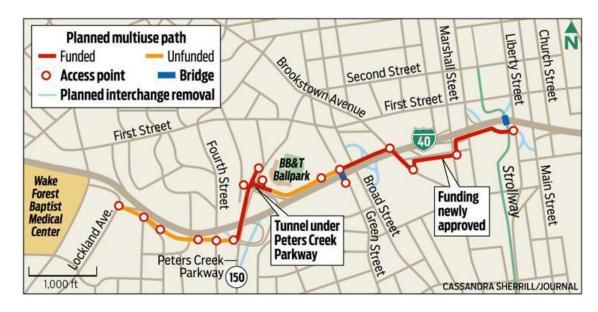
Winston-Salem, NC

> Trail length: 1.2 miles

Construction timeline: 2018-2020

Right of way: 100% in NCDOT ROW

> Total cost: \$8-10 million





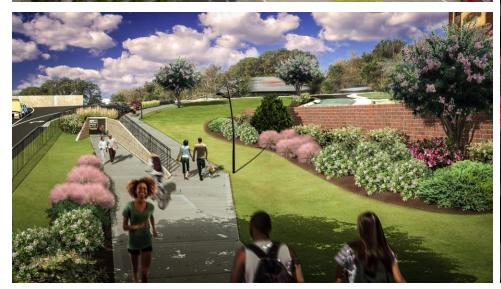


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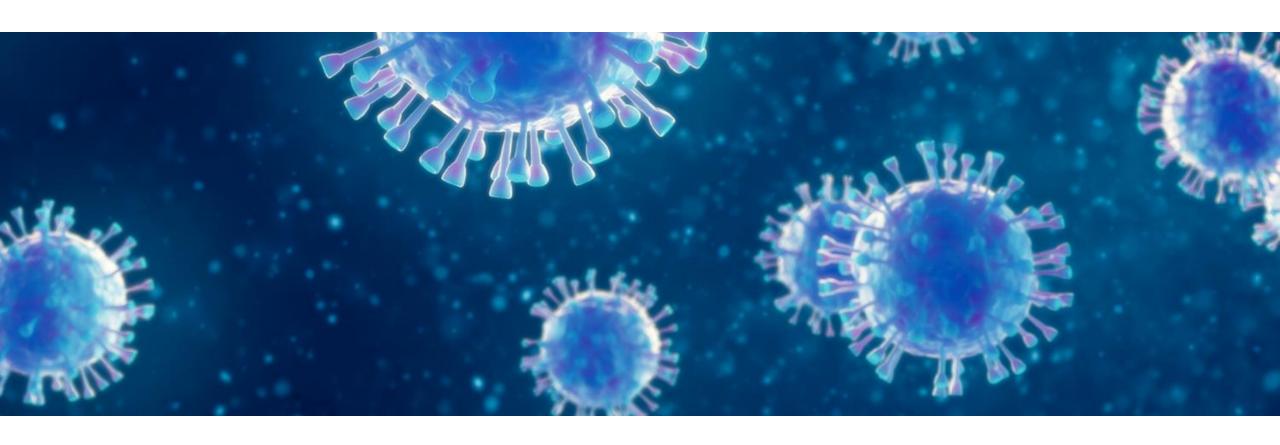
COMMUNITY VOICES





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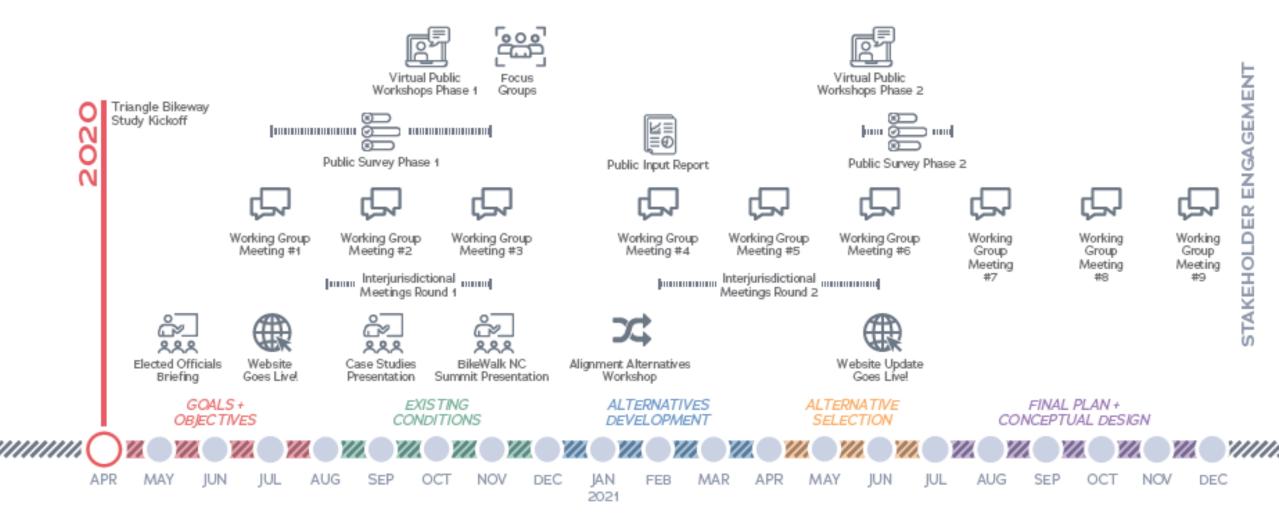


Engagement Reimagined





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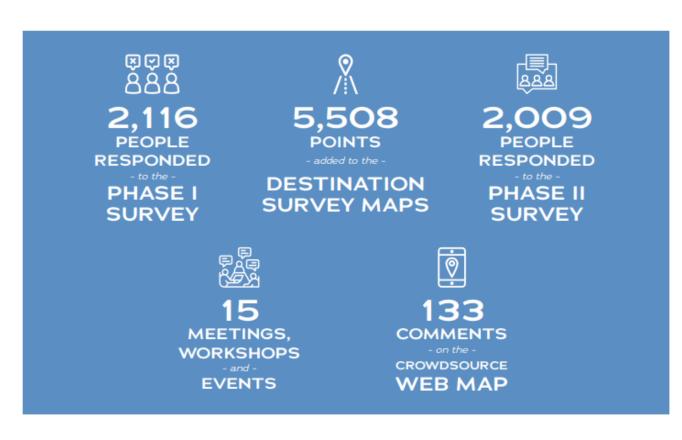




40+ Bi-weekly Project Meetings 9 Working Group Meetings 3 Focus Group Meetings 11 Jurisdictional Meetings

20+ Key Stakeholder Meetings 4 Virtual Public Meetings 7 MPO Meetings 8 Pop-Up Events

10 Elected Officials Meetings 4,025 User Surveys Completed





TRIANGLE BIKEWAY STUDY

NC CAMPS











The Triangle Bikeway project will study the idea of a 17-mile bicycle path. The bikeway will link Raleigh, Research Triangle Park (RTP), Durham and Chapel Hill along I-40 and NC 54. The current planning effort includes design and construction recommendations between Raleigh and RTP, and a cornidor assessment for the connection west to Durham and Chapel Hill. The bikeway will connect Triangle communities making both short and long bike trips for work, play and daily errands possible. Ideas from residents will shape the plan. Agencies across the region are working together in the planning process, which will take approximately 18 months.



"Excited to see this project happening. I will be able to safely switch to 100% bike commuting when the bikeway is complete."

 Comment on project website



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We are pleased to present the Triangle Bikeway Study. Through the diligent and committed leadership of the Capital Area and Durham Chapel Hill Carrboro MPOs, this study has taken a back of the napkin idea and developed it into a viable, community-supported project that will change our region for the better in the following ways:

Model for Regional Transportation Projects – The Triangle has sometimes struggled to act as one region when advancing transportation projects. The evolution of the Triangle Bikeway is deeply rooted in each community that it touches. This deliberate, distributed model of planning yielded energetic consensus and clear next steps.

Bold Step to Future Proof our Region – With the advent of electric assist bikes, bicycling for transportation is no longer limited to experienced cyclists. People of all ages and abilities are finding the freedom and satisfaction that comes with making trips under our own power. The study also maximizes locations where the Triangle Bikeway route connects to existing and future transit to further expand commuting options.

Low Cost / No Emissions Connections to Job-Rich Corridor – The I-40 corridor is the gateway for thousands of jobs in both professional and service industries. The Triangle Bikeway will provide low-cost access to employment opportunities without increasing traffic congestion on our highways.

Powerful Partnership Model with NCDOT – NCDOT has been engaged and supportive throughout the entire study process. The agency's growing commitment to multi-modal transportation is an essential element to the success of this and other projects seeking to leverage state resources to create safe and vibrant transportation corridors.

The Triangle Bikeway vision is the result of the collective work of citizens, elected officials, staff and advocates across two counties and five municipalities. Over roughly 18 months, nine working group meetings, two extensive public engagement campaigns, over 30 meetings with individual stakeholders and countless work hours have resulted in a vibrant common vision.

As County Commissioners, our charge is to position our communities to thrive, adapt and evolve to maintain our position as one of the best places in the country to live and work. Our challenge to you is to join us in the hard work ahead to make the Bikeway part of our everyday lives in the Triangle. Funding design and construction will require creativity, perseverance, and teamwork across jurisdictions. We look forward to standing with you on Triangle Bikeway ribbon cutting day!



Commissioner Wendy Jacobs Vice Chair

Vice Chair Durham County Board of Commissioners Chair, DCHC MPO Board



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Commissioner Sig Hutchinson Chair Wake County Board of Commissioners Chair, CAMPO Executive Board





Working Group





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THE RESEARCH

TRIANGLE PARK

Transportation &

Connectivity Advisory Board



THE UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA at CHAPEL HILL





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COUNTY

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East Coast Greenway.



Durham Open Space and Trails Commission

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Triangle

Raleigh Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission



























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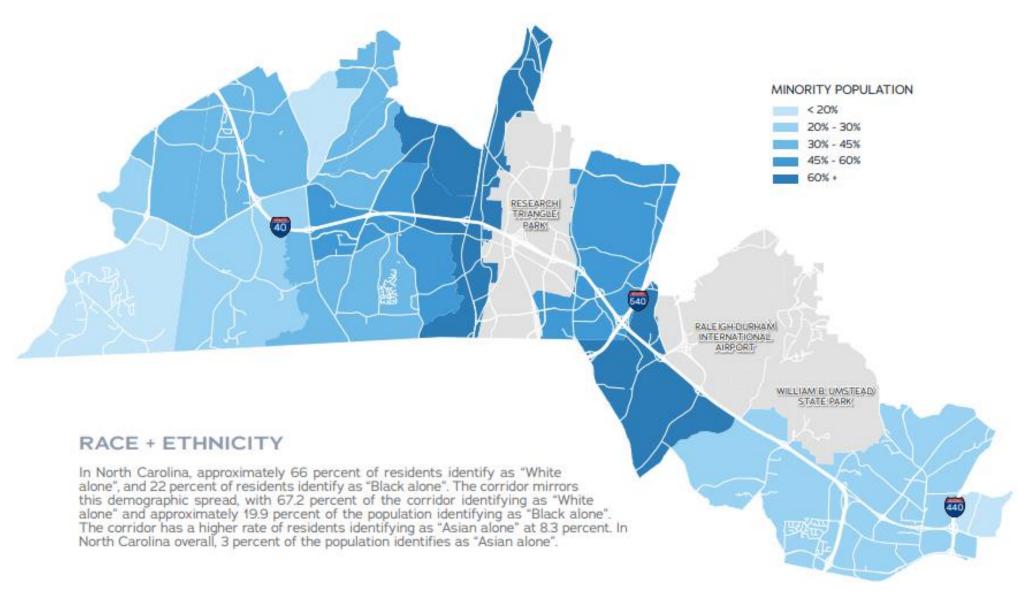
North Carolina Museum of Art

Corridor Demographics



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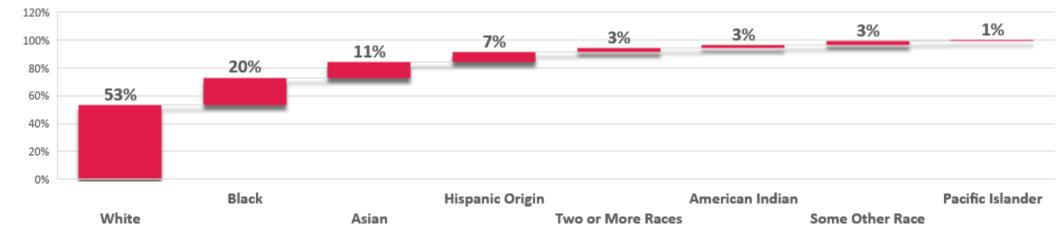


Gaps in the Survey

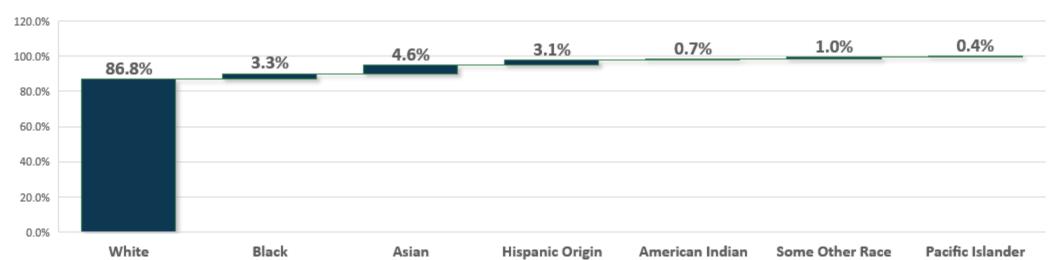


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Survey Demographics







- > Under-represented groups
 - Black
 - Hispanic
 - Asian
 - Transit Users
 - Modest and Low Income
- Strong Support for Project
- Desired Equitable Access
- Should Integrate with Transit
- Designed for Users of all Ages and **Abilities**















Calibrating Respondents









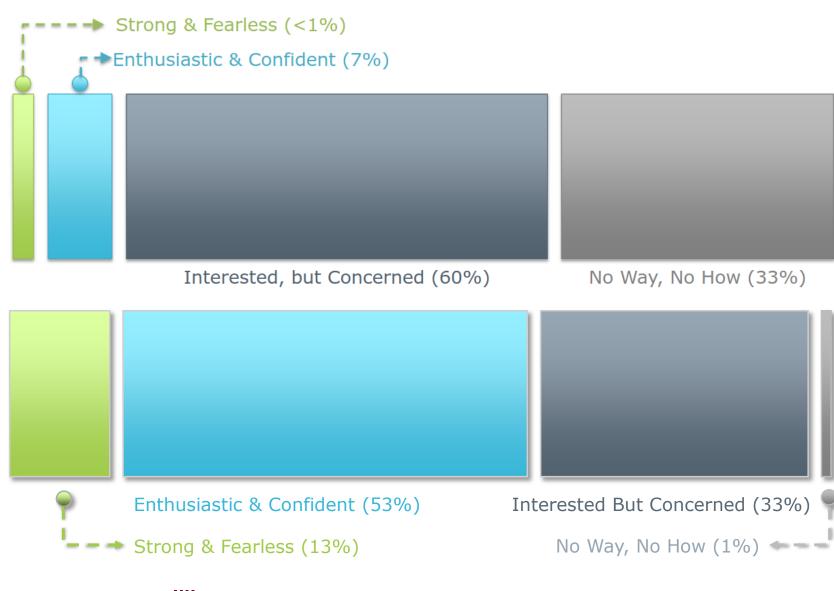


Skew Towards Enthusiasts



Portland Study

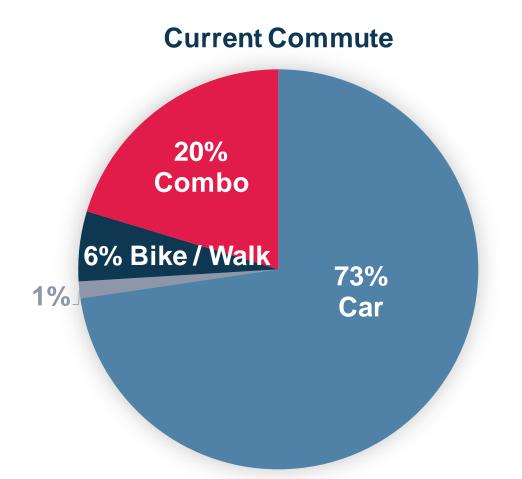
Triangle Bikeway Survey

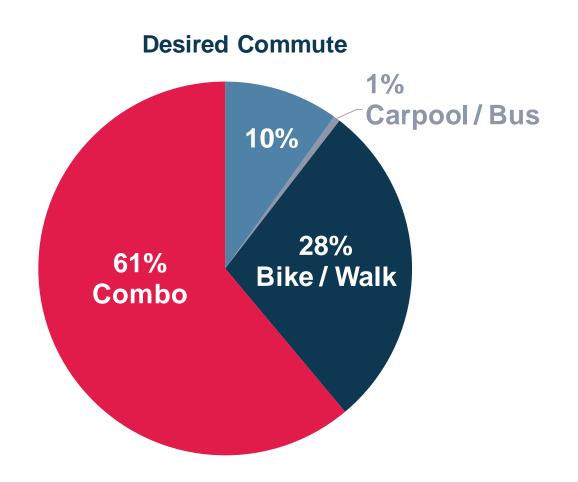




Current vs. Desired Commute Pattern



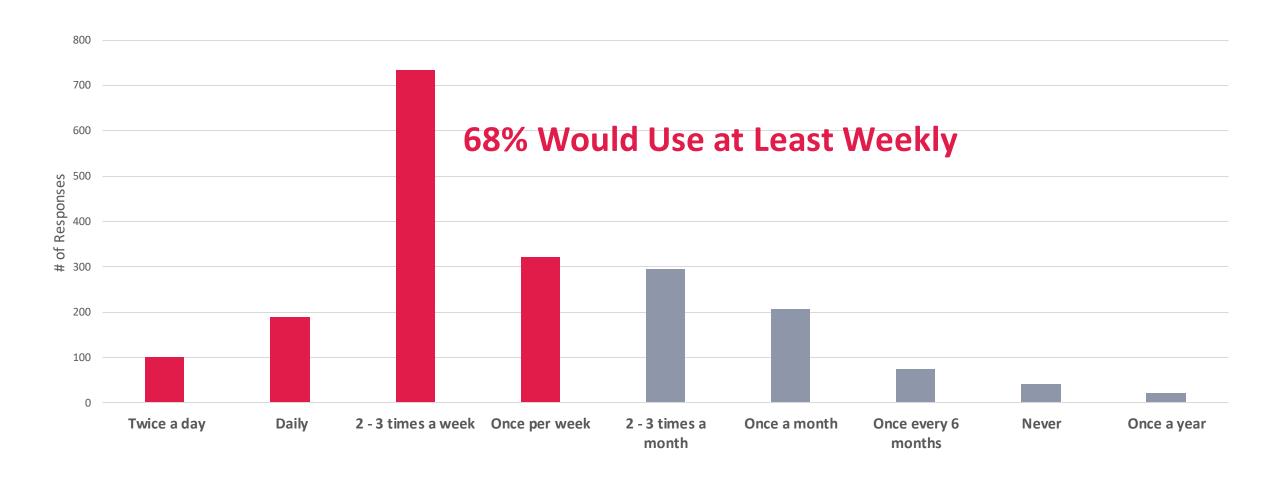






Frequency of Use by Cyclist Type









EQUITY

Prioritize equal access to the Triangle Bikeway for all, through public engagement, project delivery and investment



CONNECT TO JOBS

Provide seamless connections between the Triangle Bikeway, the regional transportation network, employment centers and local neighborhoods.



SAFETY

Address the safety needs of users of all ages and abilities in the design and development of the Triangle Bikeway.



REGIONAL COLLABORATION

Collaborate with government entities and other regional stakeholders to understand priorities and concerns. Build support of jurisdictional partners for future funding, design, construction and maintenance



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TRANSPORTATION CHOICE

Provide a direct and accessible route separated from traffic as a bicycling and walking option for commuters and recreational users. Make meaningful connections to transit and active transportation networks.



PUBLIC BENEFIT + SUPPORT

Listen to the community to help identify opportunities and challenges. Recommend an alignment that will generate public support and build momentum for future funding efforts.



FEASIBILITY

Utilize locations for the bikeway alignment that are permittable and reduce the time required for implementation. Minimize the impact of the bikeway on environmental features and the natural habitat.



IDENTITY

Create a unique identity for the bikeway that will be instantly recognizable and highlight the regional commitment to both recreational and commuter bicycling to residents and visitors alike.



RESILIENCY

Support mode shift goals and reduce emissions / other transportation-related environmental impacts while expanding access to active living and positively impacting community health.



TRIANGLE BIKEWAY

Outreach Lessons Learned



- Avoid outreach during Presidential Election and/or pandemic surge
- Partner with Paid Community Rooted Outreach Professionals
- Create events that draw people, then ask questions
- > Hybrid In-Person and Virtual is a breakthrough in outreach
 - Much higher participation
 - All meetings were more highly attended
 - > Public meetings during lunch hours were a big hit
 - Dynamic website is essential
- > Trust must be built and earned it will take time

ALTERNATIVES ANALYSIS

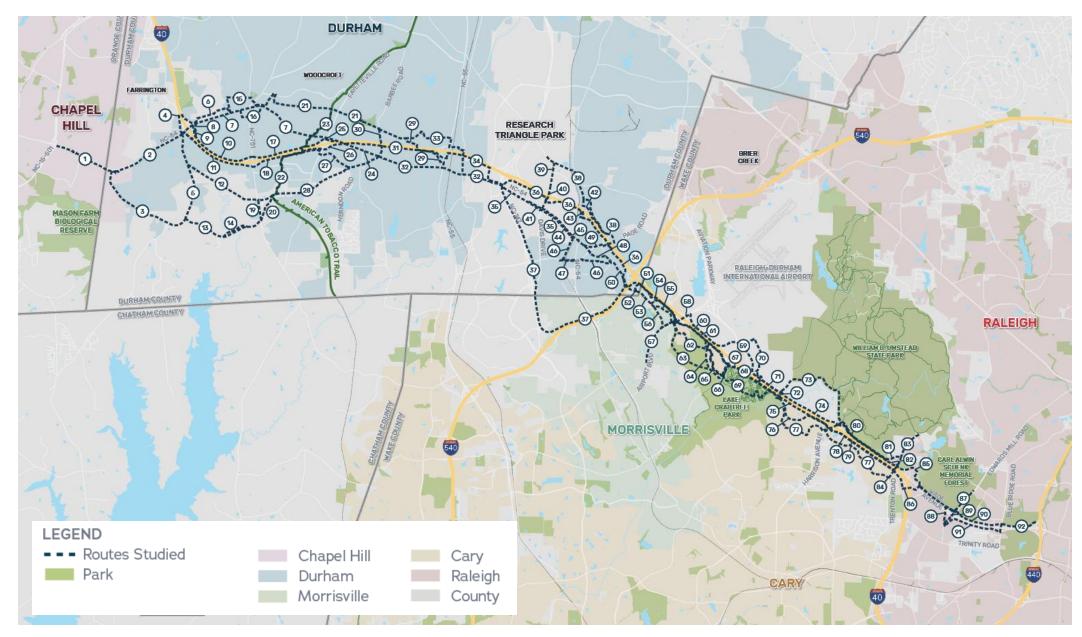


Alternatives Evaluation







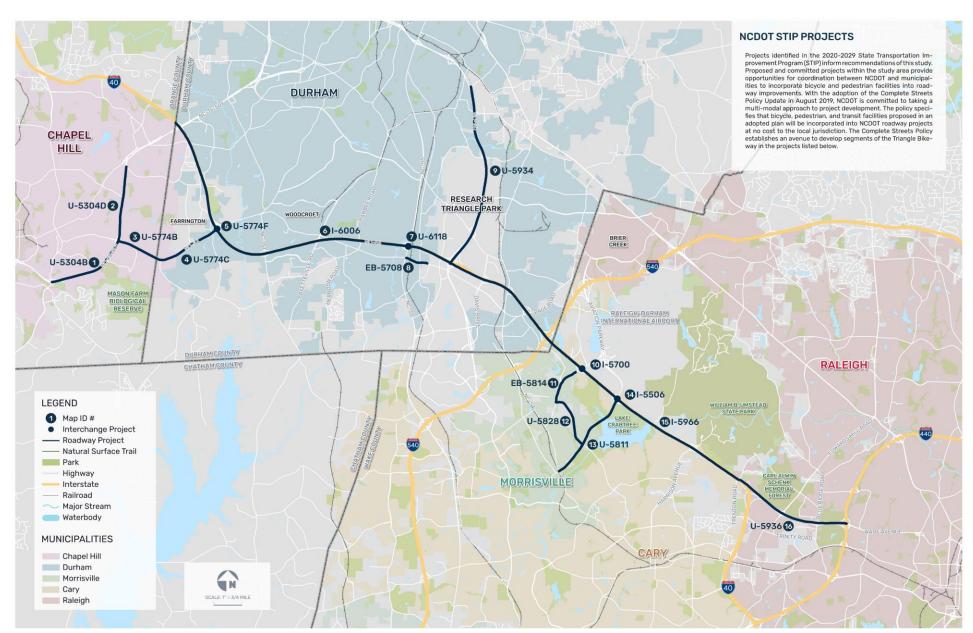




STIP projects – Planned /Under Construction



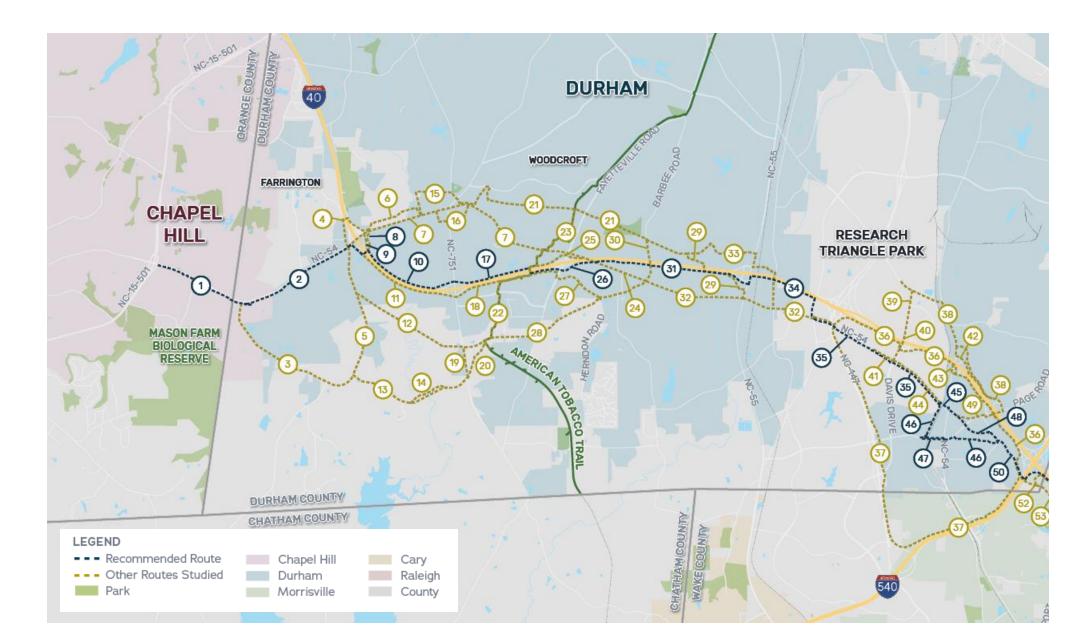
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Alternative Evaluation - West



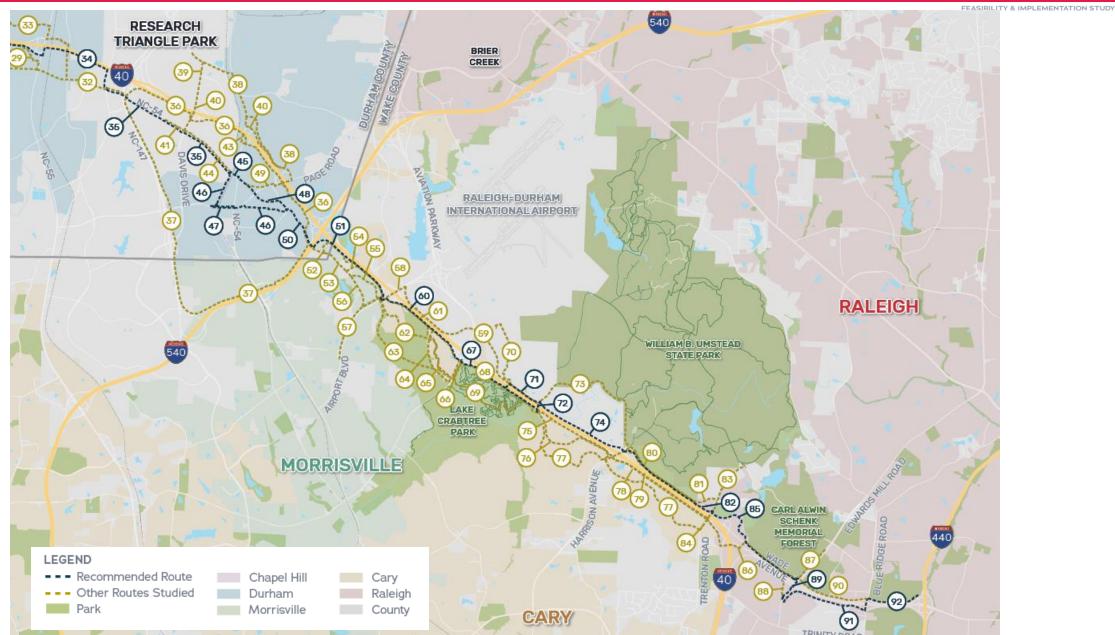




Alternative Evaluation - East









Alternative Evaluation



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Segments Removed from Further Consideration

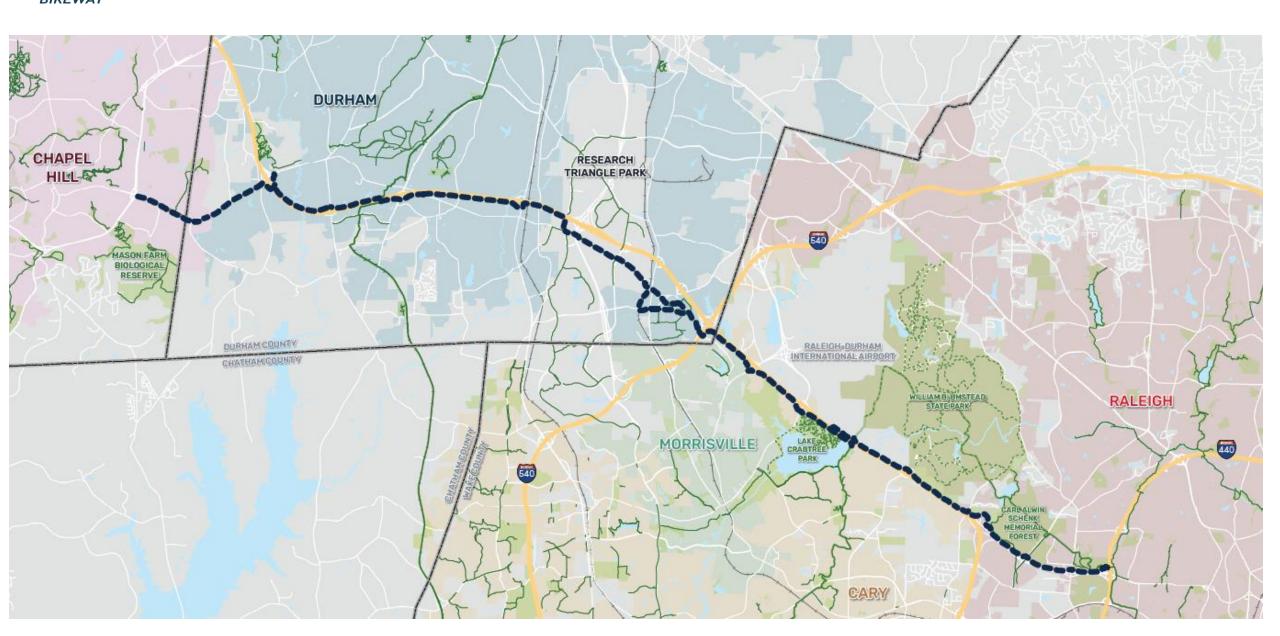
ID	Jurisdiction	Category	Notes	Key Stakeholders
3	Chapel Hill/ Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Barbee Chapel Road in this area includes a large tract preserve under the NC Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Trust, which creates a narrow right-of-way.	USACE; Chapel Hill; Durham; NCDOT
4	Durham	Safety Concerns	Pedestrian bridge over I-40 west of the exit would require several high ADT crossings with free flow turning movements of I-40/NC54 interchange.	USACE; Durham; NCDO
5	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segment #13 has been removed from consideration and therefore makes this segment void.	USACE; Durham; NCDO1
6	Durham	Environmental Constraints	Under the conditions for the creation of Jordan Lake the Army Corps of Engineers is obligated to keep these lands open to hunting and deem trails an incompatible use. Any trails need to be located in existing NCDOT right-of-way. In addition to USACE mitigation commitments all options through Waterfowl Impoundment would require extensive boardwalk and would likely be prohibitively expensive.	USACE; Durham
7	Durham	Included in Another Project	Shared use paths are recommended on both sides of NC54 as part of the U-5774 project.	USACE; Durham; NCDOT
11	Durham	Environmental Constraints	Under the conditions for the creation of Jordan Lake the Army Corps of Engineers is obligated to keep these lands open to hunting and deem trails an incompatible use. Any trails need to be located in existing NCDOT right-of-way. This south side of I-40 through USACE property would also require building structure over a spillway.	USACE; Durham; NCDO1
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13	Durham	Environmental Constraints	Under the conditions for the creation of Jordan Lake the Army Corps of Engineers is obligated to keep these lands open to hunting and deem trails an incompatible use. Any trails need to be located in existing NCDOT right-of-way, which not wide enough on Stagecoach Rd to accommodate the facility.	USACE; Durham; NCDOT
14	Durham	Environmental Constraints	Under the conditions for the creation of Jordan Lake the Army Corps of Engineers is obligated to keep these lands open to hunting and deem trails an incompatible use. Any trails need to be located in existing NCDOT right-of-way. This segment through USACE property would also require building structure over a spillway.	USACE; Durham; NCDOT
15	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segment #6 has been removed from consideration and therefore makes this segment void.	USACE; Durham Schools NCDOT
16	Durham	Indirect/Lacks Connections	Route conflicts with development plans and would be redundant to shared use paths planned for NC54 in U-5774	USACE; Durham
18	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segment #11 has been removed from consideration and therefore makes this segment void. Alignment north of I-40 is recommended due to fewer environmental conflicts and better crossing geometry with NC751.	USACE; Durham
19	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segments #12-14 have been removed from consideration and therefore make this segment void.	USACE; Durham; NCDO
20	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segments #12-14 have been removed from consideration and therefore make this segment void.	USACE; Durham
21	Durham	Indirect/Lacks Connections	While this alignment does connect to existing bicycle facilities in South Durham, it deviates away from employment and commercial centers. Would also require extensive property/easement acquisition.	Durham; Duke Energy
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22	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segments #12-14; #19-20; and #28 have been removed from consideration and therefore make this segment void.	Durham
23	Durham	Indirect/Lacks Connections	While this alignment utilizes the existing American Tobacco Trail in South Durham, it deviates away from employment and commercial centers. In addition, segment #21 has been removed from consideration, which would also make this segment void.	Durham
24	Durham	Included in Another Project	Shared use paths are recommended on both sides of NC54 as part of the U-5774 project.	Durham
25	Durham	Safety Concerns	NC54 west under I-40 bridge does not have adequate space for a protected bike facility. Recommended alignment uses American Tobacco Trail Bridge over I-40 to cross to southern alignment to avoid pinch point.	Durham; NCDOT
27	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segment #28 has been removed from consideration and therefore makes this segment void.	Durham; NCDOT
28	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	All alternatives connecting to this route from the west have been removed from further consideration and therefore make this segment void.	Durham; NCDOT
29	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segment #21 has been removed from consideration and therefore makes this segment void. In addition, this route would require an underpass under I-40 and traversing across a power line easement.	Durham; NCDOT
30	Durham		All alternatives connecting to this route from the south and north have been removed from further consideration and therefore make this segment void.	Durham
32	Durham	Included in Another Project	Shared use paths are recommended on both sides of NC54 as part of the U-5774 project.	Durham; RTP; NCDOT
33	Durham	Dependent Upon Infeasible Alignment	Segment #21 has been removed from consideration and therefore makes this segment void. This route would also require an at-grade crossing on the railroad.	Durham
36	RTP	Indirect/Lacks Connections	Preferred alternative utilizes NC54 to provide greater connections to jobs. This route also conflicts with NCDOT future plans for I-40.	Durham; RTP; NCDOT
37	RTP/Morrisville	Indirect/Lacks Connections	Routing the bikeway south along NC147 to continue north on I-540 would require extensive pedestrian bridges and tunnels. There is no feasible option for crossing of railroad and Church Street.	NCDOT
38	RTP/Durham	Conflicts with NCDOT Project	Preferred alternative utilizes NC54 to provide greater connections to jobs. This route also conflicts with NCDOT future plans for I-40.	Durham; RTP; NCDOT
38	Durham	Conflicts with NCDOT Project	Preferred alternative utilizes NC54 to provide greater connections to jobs. This route also conflicts with NCDOT future plans for I-40.	Durham; NCDOT
39	RTP	Conflicts with NCDOT Project	Preferred alternative utilizes NC54 to provide greater connections to jobs. This route also conflicts with NCDOT future plans for I-40.	RTP
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Recommended Alignment



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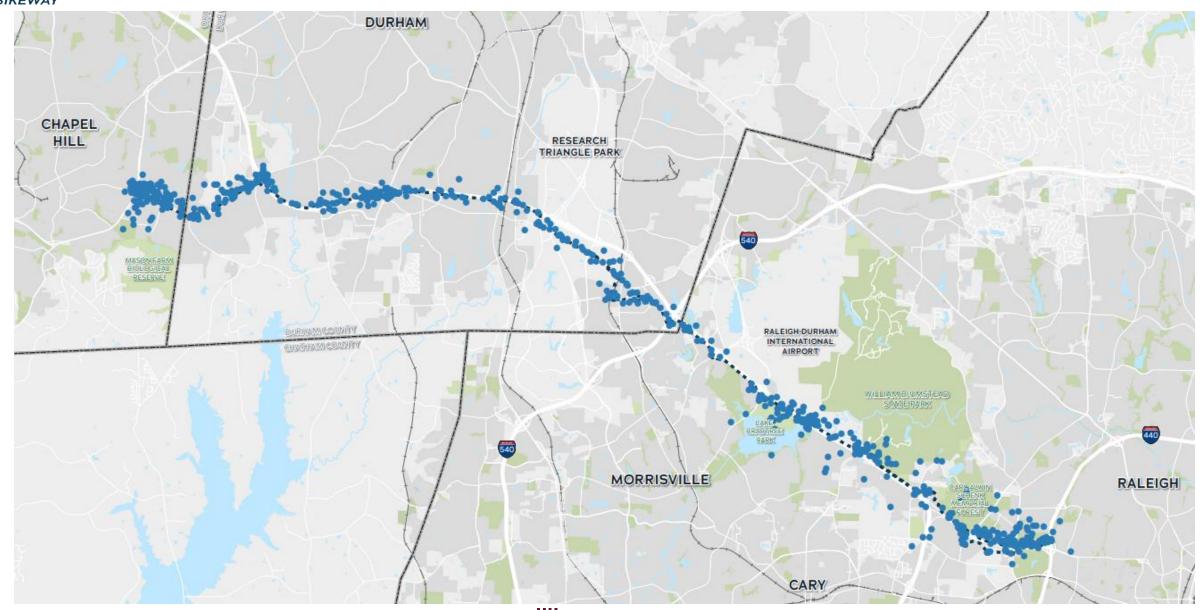
Desired Walk Locations





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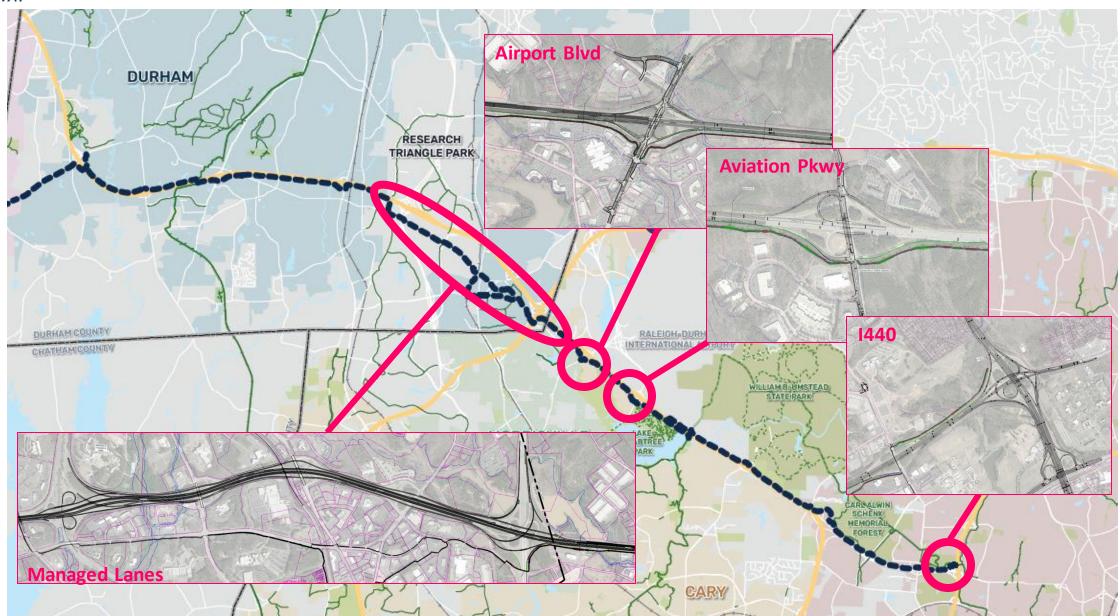


NCDOT Coordination





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IMPLEMENTATION



Implementation Scenarios

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Scenario 1
Accelerated



Scenario 2
Incremental



Scenario 3.1 **Gradual**



Scenario 3.2 **Gradual**

Thank You & Questions



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