

Cannonball Bike Path Extension – Possible Routes

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Bike Routes Map

- Cannonball Path ends at Fish Hatchery and connects to Cap City & Southwest & Badger State trails
- Wingra Creek Path connects Vilas Park to Cap City Trail along John Nolen



Possible Route **Existing Path** along Fish Hatchery **Existing Path** Applegate Ro

Bike Routes Map

- Only connection between Cannonball & Wingra Creek paths are bike lanes on Fish Hatchery
- Possible routes to improve that connection
- New bridge over Wingra Creek



Existing Conditions

- Cannonball Path ends at Fish Hatchery Rd.
 - Crossing of Fish
 Hatchery constructed
 with island & RRFB
- Wingra Path 0.6 mi to the north
 - Connection by on-street bike lanes, 4' wide
 - 30,000+ vehicles per day



Proposed Design – Alternative 1, along Fish Hatchery

- > Remove sidewalk and on-street bike lane on one side
 - Narrow street by moving curb toward centerline
 - >Currently proposing east side of Fish Hatchery, cross using existing RRFB
- Install 10 ft. wide multi-use path
 - >At sidewalk level; green markings through driveway crossings
- Lower stress connection between paths





Proposed Design – Alternative 1, along Fish Hatchery



Driveway Crossing Example

Cross Section Relative to Existing



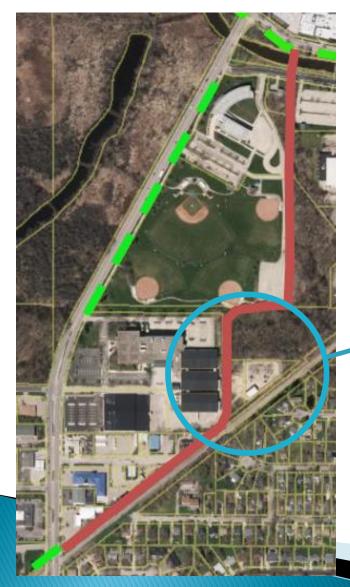
Proposed Design – Alternative 2, new path

- Continue as a path on route not along Fish Hatchery Rd.
- > Parallel to the RR tracks & north through Bowman Park
 - Cross existing RR spur serving Capital Newspapers
 - > Requires purchase of easement on private property
- > Requires tree removals within wooded area of Bowman
- More typical path, similar to existing portion of Cannonball Path



Proposed Design – Alternative 2, new path

Conceptual route







comparison of Primary Considerations & Potential Challenges		
Consideration	Alt 1 – Fish Hatchery	Alt 2 – Typical Path
Traffic & Use	Near traffic, crosses multiple driveways & streets, combines ped/bike facilities on Fish Hatch	Away from traffic, RR crossing, few driveway or street crossings, maintains current Fish Hatch use

ped/bike facilities on Fish Hatch More direct connection and

agency coordination/approval

Route & Access more secluded - some users may easier access to Arboretum not feel safe at night **Snow Removal** Limited terrace space (storage) Plow same as existing path

Tree Removals Approx. 8 terrace trees

Through wooded areas

In existing right-of-way

Purchase of land required Approx. \$2M (grading, lighting)

Construction Cost Approx \$1.3M

Real Estate

Other Agencies Dane County 2024? depends on budget & Possible Schedule

Parks, MMSDs (School & Sewer) Less certain due to real estate

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Contact Information & Resources

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- > Project Website: cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/cannonball-path-phase-6
 - Sign-up for project email updates on the website
 - Updates on closures & work progress will be posted to the project website
- Facebook City of Madison Engineering



Input & Discussion

- Preferred design option/route
 - ➤ Which option should the City focus on trying to move forward?
- ▶ Is Option 1 enough of an improvement over the existing condition to pursue?
 - Existing on-street bike lane and sidewalk, or only a multi-use path adjacent to the street

